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"WATSON'S" ANNUAL MEETING.

Increased Profits for the Past Year.

DIVIDEND UP SLIGHTLY.

The 46th annual ordinary meeting of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., was held in the Hong Kong Hotel this morning under the Chairmanship of Mr. Henry Humphreys who was supported by the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. A. H. Stewart, Mr. A. H. White (Directors), and Mr. J. A. Tarrant (Secretary).

The shareholders present were Messrs. W. S. Bailey, F. W. Stapleton, J. D. Humphreys, G. E. R. Dawell, W. Morley, D. E. Clark, D. Wilson, J. M. Alves, V. L. dos Remedios, J. M. Wong, and Peter Wong.

Chairman's Speech.

In proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, the Chairman said:—

The accounts show an increased profit of \$36,671.65 over last year, which may be regarded as satisfactory in view of the unsettled conditions that have existed during the whole of the period under review.

Liabilities.—Under the headings Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, Liabilities in London, and Bills Payable. The first shows an increase attributable generally to low exchange. Liabilities in London at date are £1,402 more than the previous year, which with the depreciated exchange accounts for the increase of \$36,135.00; whilst Bills Payable outstanding at the end of the year are £12,256 as against £11,620 last year, a difference of only £636, but showing an increase in dollar value of \$76,571.55.

Stocks in trade and Sundry Debtors show increases of \$183,691.47 and \$37,353.73, respectively, both being due to lower exchange.

With regard to the water pipe line from Rennie's dam to the beach at Junk Bay, to which I referred in my speech last year, it is proposed to write this down in book value from \$6,000 to \$1,000, virtually its scrap value.

Section A. of Marine Lot 381 was sold on February 28 last, and therefore will not again appear in the accounts. A small profit was made on the sale.

We are recommending 5 cents per share more dividend this year than last, and in view of the very unsettled conditions which are still prevailing we do not feel justified in recommending a larger payment.

We trust the transfer to Chinese Staff Superannuation Fund of \$5,000 will meet with your approval.

I now propose the adoption of the report and statement of accounts as presented, and the allocation of the profits as recommended, namely:—

To pay a dividend of 75 cents per share which will absorb ..	\$90,000.00
Write off Building Improvements ..	9,152.63
Write off Pipe Line and Dam at Junk Bay ..	5,000.00
Transfer to Chinese Staff Superannuation Fund ..	5,000.00
And carry forward to next account ..	80,139.13

When this has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any questions in respect of the accounts which shareholders may have to ask.

In seconding, Mr. W. S. Bailey said that he wished to congratulate the management on the very excellent report presented, the increased dividend, increased carry forward, and increased profit. It was very excellent showing, and he had much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and accounts.

Carried unanimously.

Other Business.

On the proposal of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. J. M. Alves, the meeting unanimously re-elected the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. A. H. Stewart and Mr. A. B. Stewart as Directors for the ensuing year. Messrs. C. Bernard Brown,

JAPANESE SHIP ON ROCKS.

Precaution Taken Against Pirates.

TRAWLER STANDING BY.

News reached Hong Kong yesterday of the stranding of the Japanese s.s. Shinsei Maru No. 6.

The mishap occurred off Hainan Reef, which is to the north of the Hainan Strait. The ship encountered thick fog when about to make the strait and struck a rock on the reef. She is reported to be fast on the rock, and it was also learned that she was holed and is leaking into the Nos. 1 and 2 holds.

No Passengers Aboard.

The ship, which is under the command of Captain T. Tokumitsu and has a crew of 42 Japanese and Chinese, was on a voyage from Hong Kong to Swatow when the stranding occurred. There are no passengers on board, but the vessel is fully loaded with a cargo of coal.

The ship is in no immediate danger of breaking up and the crew is reported to be safe. The Japanese trawler, Hayama Maru, is standing by to await the arrival of assistance.

According to the local agents of the vessel, Messrs. Hidaka & Co., Alexandra Building, the firm in Japan which carries the insurance on the ship is sending a salvage tug to her assistance.

Gunboat to the Scene.

It was also understood that the Japanese gunboat Uji, which arrived in Hong Kong this morning, will proceed to the scene of the stranding this afternoon to give protection against pirates.

Survey Report Awaited.

Unless weather conditions in the vicinity of Hainan Reef become very bad no fear is entertained for the safety of the Shinsei Maru, but whether or not it would be worth salvaging her will depend on the extent of the damage she has suffered and this cannot be ascertained until the arrival of the Japanese salvage tug, the report of which is being keenly awaited.

The Shinsei Maru No. 6, which was formerly the s.s. Ethelwynne, is a vessel of 3,400 (2,127 net) tonnage, and was built in 1904 by Messrs. W. Doxford & Sons, Ltd., Sunderland. Her Japanese owners are the Shinsei Kisen Goshi Kaisha who, on taking her over, registered her at Dairen.

A steel screw steamer, the Shinsei Maru No. 6 has the following dimensions: length, 332.1; breadth, 46.6; and depth, 22.0.

SOLDIER ROBBED.

An elderly Chinese named Chan Yau was this morning charged before Mr. Schofield in the Central Police Court with the theft of an overcoat, the property of Private Phillips, of the South Wales Borderers. Accused pleaded guilty.

Detective-Sub-Inspector Rozesky stated that complainant came back on H.M.S. Medway from a cruise on Saturday morning, and his kit (along with other kits) was taken to Victoria Barracks. At 1 p.m. complainant found that his overcoat was missing. Yesterday afternoon a detective saw accused walking in Tai Yuen Street, carrying the overcoat, and arrested him. Sentence of three weeks' hard labour was passed.

A.C.A., and D. T. Butlin, A.C.A., were unanimously re-elected auditors, with increased remuneration of \$1,250 each, on the proposal of Mr. F. W. Stapleton, seconded by Mr. J. D. Humphreys. The meeting terminated with the announcement by the Chairman that dividend warrants were ready and could be had on application.

SOVIET COUNSELLOR SHOT IN TOKYO.

Dangerously Wounded By Japanese.

DOG'S FUTILE DEFENCE.

Tokyo, To-day. An unknown assailant shot and dangerously wounded M. Paul Anikeeff, the Soviet Commercial Counsellor at 9 o'clock when he was leaving his residence.

According to a Police report four shots were fired—three at Anikeeff and one at his dog who attempted to defend his master and sprang at his assailant. Two and not three shots hit the intended victim but he received three wounds as one of the bullets pierced his right arm and entered the breast.

Serious Condition.

Later.

It appears that M. Anikeeff was just entering his motor car with the intention of proceeding to the Embassy when an unknown Japanese, about 35 years of age, approached and fired several shots, three finding a mark in his arm, leg, and breast. M. Anikeeff was immediately rushed to the Keio University Hospital, where he is lying in a serious condition, but is expected to live.

His assailant, after emptying his revolver, fled and thus far has escaped capture.—Reuter.

Probable Motive.

Tokyo, Later.

It is probable that the assailant was animated by a perverted sense of patriotism as M. Anikeeff, as head of the Soviet Trade Delegation, played an important part in the negotiations surrounding both the long-standing Russo-Japanese fishery dispute and the closure of the Vladivostok branch of the Bank of Korea.—Reuter.

WHOSE PROPERTY.

SERVANT WITH BOX FULL OF ARTICLES.

Before Mr. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, Sergeant Shepherd charged a Chinese with unlawful possession of a box containing articles, thought to be the property of a European now in Shanghai.

The accused was arrested in Nathan Road carrying the box on his shoulder. He stated that the articles had been discarded by his master, Mr. Heeley, when he went away.

The contents of the box were:—a silver powder puff case with chain and the monogram B.K.H. engraved on the lid, a green silk covered box containing another powder puff and a box of powder, a grey rectangular box, a gold ring with a single red stone, two bottles of scent, a tin of talcum powder, a leather wallet, two pairs of scissors, a small opal, a pair of sun-glasses in a metal case, a ratan basket containing sewing materials, and about a dozen silk handkerchiefs in a lacquer box. His Worship remanded the accused for one week and allowed bail of \$5.

DRIZZLE AND MIST.

The Royal Observatory's weather report to-day states: An anti-cyclone is central over S.E. Mongolia.

Pressure, conditions over China are uncertain. Forecast:—Easterly or variable winds, moderate; overcast; drizzle and mist.

Rainfall. Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day,—1.24 inch. Rainfall since January 1,—2.72 inches against an average of 4.04 inches—deficit 1.63 inches.

Temperature.	
The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—	
Hong Kong ..	64
Macao ..	59
Prata Island ..	72
Manila ..	77
Foochow ..	58
Amoy ..	58
Chefoo ..	44
Shanghai ..	54

COMMUNIST SHOT IN BERLIN 'BUS.

Daring Political Murder Puzzles Police.

BELIEVED TO BE NAZI.

Berlin, Yesterday. An astoundingly daring political murder occurred in a crowded bus near Hamburg at midnight, when three men jumped on and drew their revolvers. They forced all the passengers to put their hands up and forced a Communist member of Hamburg Municipality to show his papers.

When they were sure of his identity they shot him dead and jumped off, still firing, wounding a woman passenger. The murderers then disappeared, leaving no trace. The Police believe that they were Nazis.—Reuter.

RETENTION OF "WAR MENTALITY."

Inflammatory Speech by Indian Leader.

CONTROL OF THE ARMY.

Bombay, Yesterday.

Half a dozen persons were injured during a stampede toward the platform from which Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru addressed a mammoth meeting on the Maidan Esplanade. The stampede was due to the sudden failure of the loud speakers and the consequent inability of thousands to hear.

Nehru controlled the crowd well and sent away all the women. He continued his address and urged the retention of the "war mentality." He wanted full control of the army by Indians, besides the administration of the country and the financial policy.—Reuter.

FEDERAL TREASURER

EXPULSED.

Action by Metropolitan Labour Conference.

WILD SPEECHES.

Sydney, Yesterday.

The Metropolitan Labour Conference unanimously expelled the Federal Treasurer, Mr. E. G. Theodore, from the Party because he opposed Mr. F. T. Lang's repudiation policy.

Wild speeches were a characteristic of the meeting, one delegate declaring that a revolution would be a Godsend. He urged taking up arms to protect Mr. Lang.

The meeting decided to replace the White Australia objection by the socialisation of industry, distribution, and exchange.—Reuter.

ATTACK ON THEATRE

COOK

Peculiar Affair in Kowloon.

ASSAILANT ESCAPES.

At 1.30 o'clock this morning, an attempted murder occurred outside the door of the cook's quarters, Po Hing Theatre, in Pakhoi Street, the victim being Li Tat (20), a cook, employed by the Wing Wai Sun Theatrical Company, and the assailant an unknown individual.

The Police were informed of the outrage by Liu Kat-man, actors' attendant. On their arrival on the scene, Li Tat, who had been stabbed in the back and left shoulder, stated that he had just finished his work, and descended the stairs. When he got out into Pak Hoi Street, he was suddenly attacked by a man who stabbed him four times with a long sharp instrument. After the attack, Li did not see where his assailant went to and was very reticent to give a description of him to the Police.

According to a report made by Li Yik, a cook employed by the same company, he was in his bunk when the door opened, and in walked Li Tat, who went and lay

BRITISH IDOL OF SOUTH AMERICA.

Prince of Wales's Great Popularity.

A PRESS TRIBUTE.

New York, Yesterday. The Prince of Wales could be President of Argentina to-morrow if he wanted, declares the New York Times, which yesterday described the Buenos Aires Exhibition as one "of the most elaborate and many country ever made for another's trade."

"The paper pays a conspicuous tribute to the Prince of Wales's success and describes his speech in Spanish as crisp, clear, and much easier to understand than much other Spanish that is broadcast."

The Times declares that his popularity in South America is incredible.

Early News.

Buenos Aires, Yesterday. Owing to the presence in the city of the Prince of Wales and Prince George, and the large influx of visitors to the British Empire Exhibition, unusual excitement was caused by the explosion of a bomb in a local tram car.

The bomb was carried in his pocket by an Italian named Anselmo Pieretti. It discharged owing to his stumbling while alighting from the car. Pieretti and two passengers were instantaneously killed and three others were seriously injured, other people being slightly hurt.

The tramcar was drenched in blood. The police do not consider that the explosion was concerned with the visit of the Princes.—Reuter's American Service.

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

Orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G., Inspector-General of Police, are as under:—

General. Revolver Practice.—There will be no revolver practice at the Kennedy Road Range on Wednesday.

Police Training School. The weekly classes for Police Reservists at the Police Training School, Kowloon, will be held as usual to-morrow at 5.30 p.m. All members of the Chinese Company and of the Flying Squad who have not yet passed Part 2 of Training Course should attend.

Chinese Company. Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Chinese Company will attend Central Station for Squad Drill on Thursday at 5.30 p.m. under L. S. R.43 Tso Chi-on.

Flying Squad. Squad Drill.—All recruits of the Flying Squad will attend at Police Headquarters for Squad Drill on Thursday at 5.30 p.m. under L. S. R.233 A. W. Mooney.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place to-morrow. Fall in at Tsim-tan-tai Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hong Kong Section will take place on Friday. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter uniform and cap with white cover.

Sharpshooters' Company. Riot Drill.—Riot Drill will be carried out in Kennedy Road on Wednesday at 5.15 p.m. Members will assemble outside Queen's Pier at 5.10 p.m. with belts, holsters, revolvers and truncheons. Uniform optional. All members of the Company required.

Miniature Range Shoot.—A spoon shoot will be held on the miniature range by members of the Company Rifle Club on Thursday at 5.15 p.m.

Equipment Return Shoot.—All members of the Company who have not filed in and return their Equipment Cards to the O.C. Co. are asked to do so as soon as possible. (Sgd.) D. L. KING, D. S. P. (R)

down. He was bleeding profusely, and groaning. The report adds that the wanted man has no fixed abode, is unemployed, and is a "hanger-on" of the same theatrical troupe as the victim.

TESTS OF IMPROVED ALTIMETER.

Reduction of Landing Hazard.

FOG-OBSCURED FIELD.

Washington, Jan. 3. A new and highly sensitive altimeter, actuated by sound waves, has been perfected by the Army Air Corps and the General Electric Company. It is expected greatly to reduce the hazards of landing a plane on a fog-obscured field.

Extensive and satisfactory tests of this new aid to blind flying have been made by Lieut. Albert Hegenberger, who flew from California to Hawaii several years ago. Col. Charles A. Lindbergh also has tested the instrument. As a result the Army feels it has solved one of its hardest aviation problems—the determination of a plane's height when it is skimming over a hidden landing-place.

Sound Waves.

This new instrument, known as a "sonic altimeter," gauges the length of time sound-waves from an airplane require to travel to the ground and back. As the speed of sound is known, the altitude is readily determined, and, for heights above 50 feet, is registered on a dial.

Considerable heights are accurately indicated on existing altimeters, and it is just off the ground where the new instrument is to render its greatest life-saving service.

By use of the radio compass, the artificial horizon and other instruments, pilots are already able to find their way through fog and over the desired landing field. But the real danger comes when they attempt to land. How the new instrument will facilitate this difficult feat is described by the War Department as follows:

Modus Operandi.

"Having arrived over the air-drome, the boundaries of which are made known to the pilot by an electro-magnetic field, the aeroplane is brought down until the sonic altimeter shows that it is at a height of about 200 feet.

The engine is then throttled or slowed down and the aeroplane allowed to settle in a normal glide. Here is where the sonic altimeter is called upon to do its best trick. "The time interval between the whistle emitted from the aeroplane and the echo, which is picked up by the pilot, is a measure of height. As the aeroplane nears the ground this interval becomes shorter and shorter until, at a height of about four or five feet, the whistle and echo blend into one combined note. The pilot knows at this time that he can pull back on the stick and safely settle or 'pancake' to the ground."

Lesson From the Bat.

Inventors of this new instrument have taken a lesson from the blind bat, darting hither and thither, but never striking anything.

It is generally assumed, according to the War Department that the bat, when flying, emits a sound too high in pitch to register on human ears, and that this sound, echoed from surrounding objects, warns the bat not to strike them.

The sonic principle, incidentally, already has been employed by the

MERCIFUL JUDGE'S LAST TRIAL.

"Sadness and Horror" at Punishing Delinquents.

SIR ROBERT WALLACE.

Sir Robert Wallace, K.C., "the merciful judge," who has presided over the London Session for 24 years, tried his last case in mail week.

When it was over, and distinguished counsel had paid their tributes to this 80-years-old judge, who has saved hundreds of men from careers of crime and unhappiness, and the court had cleared, he spoke to me (writes an Evening News correspondent) of work he had done and of the future.

"Well," he said, "I am now to look forward to little else than rest."

"I do not think I shall have much work to do now. I am going to stay in town for a while, and then I shall go to Ireland or abroad for the holiday I have been long waiting for."

"I am glad," "I am glad to think that I have done good in this court, and that mercy has been associated with my name, by reason of the Probationers' Act."

"No one who has not sat in a court as judge can know quite the weight upon his mind. My dear man, try as one can to wipe out the traces which the sentencing of delinquents leaves, the impression remains."

"If a man has any sensitiveness at all he cannot escape it. There you sit, year in, year out, listening to tales of misery, poverty, passion and crime, and so often you must punish according to the law."

"Nothing you can do ever entirely enables you to banish the sadness and horror of it from your mind. The mark of it is always with you."

"My Rest." "Well, I have earned my rest. Thanks for your good wishes. Everyone has made my task lighter since I have come to this court." And agile as a young man, he left the room and went to lunch. As I left the building I could hear kindly words on every side of the "merciful judge."

His last judicial act had been to fine a motorist \$5 for being incapable of proper control of his car.

Sir Henry Curtis Bennett, K.C., on behalf of the Bar, referred to the men and women whom Sir Robert had saved from a life of crime by the friendly advice he had given them.

"By the merciful conduct extended to them you have established a great number of these persons as respectable citizens," he said.

Sir Robert said he had been influenced throughout his career by an experience 50 years ago when he saw a poor woman sent to penal servitude in the North of England for stealing a pair of boots that was her first offence.

Navy Department in a depth finder used on submarines. Further tests of the sonic altimeter are being made in an effort to reduce its weight and make it adaptable to any type of aeroplane.—United Press.

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COMPANY MEETINGS

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1931, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1930, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 5th March, 1931, to 18th March, 1931, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents. Hong Kong, 19th Feb., 1931.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 42nd ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1931, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1930.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 4th March, 1931, to WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

ALLAN KEITH, Secretary. Hong Kong, 19th February, 1931.

THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1931, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 18th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

J. D. THOMSON, Acting Secretary. Hong Kong, 27th Feb., 1931.

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 19th March, 1931, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1930.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 10th March, 1931, to THURSDAY, the 19th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

F. H. CRAPNELL, Secretary. Hong Kong, 2nd March, 1931.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS:

THE SIXTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned on THURSDAY, the 26th March, 1931, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1930.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th March, 1931, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Managers. The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Hong Kong, 6th March, 1931.

COMPANY MEETINGS

THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED. (Incorporated in Hong Kong.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong), on THURSDAY, the 16th day of April, 1931, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended on the 31st December, 1930, confirming the appointment of a Director and re-electing a Director and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 1st April, 1931, until THURSDAY, the 16th April, 1931, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

F. C. BARRY, Secretary. Hong Kong, 25th Feb., 1931.

GENERAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

HONG KONG AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on FRIDAY, March 20, at 5.30 p.m.

HOW FIJI WAS SAVED.

Governor's Bluff During War Succeeds.

One of the secrets of the Great War has been revealed by Sir Bickham Sweet-Escott, Governor of Fiji from 1912 to 1918.

Sir Bickham, who is now living in retirement, smiled as he unfolded the story of a simple piece of bluff which deceived the famous German Admiral von Spee, and was the means of saving the beautiful island from bombardment and probable robbery.

"Towards the end of 1914," he said, "when German battleships were roaming the Pacific Ocean, I received a message that von Spee's squadron was heading directly towards Fiji and was only a day's voyage away.

Bogus Message.

"I knew that any wireless message sent from Fiji would be intercepted by the German ships, and I gave instructions for the following words to be flashed in English to H.M.S. Australia, flagship of the Australian fleet: 'Thanks for message; shall expect you early to-morrow.' I had not any idea where the Australia might be, and I learned afterwards that she was 2,000 miles from Fiji.

"We found later that things happened exactly as I intended, for we intercepted a letter from a German officer in one of the ships, which read: 'So the British bulldog was waiting for us round the corner. How kind of them to let us know of the trap in time, and what a fool of a governor to give the show away. When von Spee was informed he laughed heartily and we steamed off at full speed in the opposite direction.'

ROUND THE CINEMAS

"HIGH SOCIETY BLUES"—AMUSING TALKIE.

A GROCER'S TROUBLES.

Those who enjoyed "Sunny Side Up" are almost sure to like "High Society Blues," the new Fox Movietone musical romance, now showing in the Queen's Theatre. The leading roles are taken by Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell, who made their musical comedy debut in the former film. They both possess charming personalities and good voices and we can understand why they have been called "America's sweetheart."

"High Society Blues" is adapted from a short story by Dana Burnett which appeared in an American paper, and describes the troubles of a wholesale grocer from a small Iowa town, who sells his business to a chain-store corporation for several millions and then tries to enter the exclusive social set of New York.

Miss Gaynor takes the part of the daughter of the social leader and owner of the chain stores, whilst Charles Farrell appears as the son of the lowly grocer, who is immediately snubbed, but finally brings "high society" to its knees.

The music is quite fascinating, but the words of the songs, as usual, are foolish and ungrammatical.

"SLIGHTLY SCARLET."

A girl can never tell these days with whom she is falling in love. Imagine Evelyn Brent's surprise when she discovers the true identity of the suave Briton. Clive Brook, in "Slightly Scarlet." And her surprise isn't one tenth of what yours will be when you see this thrilling romance, sense its gripping drama, in the Central Theatre during its three days' run. It opened last night.

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The story is set in a smart society milieu, with a serious scene and delightful people. Yet it is as tensely dramatic as anything Brent and Brook have ever done—even as highly climactic as "Interference," their former joint entertainment. It's action romance, highly spiced with adventure.

Of course you'll remember the detective of "The Canary Murder Case" and "The Greene Murder Case." Eugene Pallette furnishes some delicious comedy in "Slightly Scarlet" as the new-rich climber, the foil between the charmer and her deluder. Then Paul Lukas, as suave smart as ever, is the menace. And Henry Wadsworth, the sailor in "Applause," and Morgan Farley, the youthful lieutenant in George Bancroft's "The Mighty," have excellent supporting roles.

MAJOR'S COLLAPSE.

DEATH AFTER A GAME OF SQUASH RACKETS.

After playing squash rackets at Shorncliffe Camp, near Folkestone, Major C. K. Calder, of the Royal Army Veterinary Corps, staggered and fell unconscious. He died in a nursing home.

Major Calder was attached to the 4th/7th Dragon Guards, and was veterinary officer at Shorncliffe.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres:—

4.7 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.

7.10.30 p.m.—European Programme of Victor & H.M.V. Records kindly supplied by Messrs. S. Montre & Co.

7.02-7.27 p.m. (approx.)—Professor R. K. M. Simpson, M.C., M.A., will give the fourth of a series of lectures on Shakespeare.

7.27-8.03 p.m.—A Selection of Schubert's Music. Serenade, Ave Maria (The Lady of the Lake) (Sir Walter Scott).

John McCormack and the Victor Salon Group directed by Nat Shilkret (6927).

Moments Musical. The Victor Salon Orchestra (6929).

a. The Hurdy Gurdy Man, b. Impatience, c. Farewell.

John McCormack and the Victor Salon Group directed by Nat Shilkret (6928).

Vienna Waltzes, Rosamunde, Ballet Music & Entr'acte, The Victor Salon Orchestra (6907).

Medley of Waltzes (German), a. Minuetto in B Minor, b. Marche Militaire, The Victor Salon Orchestra (6908).

8.03-8.17 p.m.—Pianoforte Solos. Melody in F (Rubinstein), Waltz from Midnight Sun (Rimsky-Korsakov), Mark Hambourg (B2657), Le Petit Ange (Liszt), Bonne Moisson (E492).

8.17-8.43 p.m.—Operatic. Rigoleto—Quartet (Fairest Daughter of the Graces) (Verdi), Gall-Curci-Homer-Gigli-De Luca with the Metropolitan Opera House Orchestra (10012).

Faust—Selections (Gounod), The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards (C1877), Mignon (Thomas)—Here am I in Her Boudoir, Luciezia Bori, Soprano (1331).

Aida (Verdi)—The Fatal Stone, Rosa Ponselle—Giovanni Martelloni (3040).

8.43-9 p.m.—Orchestral. Bavarian Dance (Elgar), London Symphony Orchestra (C1367).

Medley of Chappell Ballads, Jack Hylton & His Orchestra (C1840).

9 p.m.—Weather Report, Local Time, etc.

9.05-10.30 p.m.—European Studio Concert.

Song—Mrs. G. McLeod (Soprano)—accompanied by Miss N. McNeillie a. Passing By (E. C. Furell), b. Fair a Breeze—Gaelic Air.

Song—Mr. C. R. Anderson (Tenor)—accompanied by Mrs. G. Mitchell a. The Sun God (W. James), b. Believe it True (E. Teichmayer).

Pianoforte Solo—Mr. S. B. Winram. Selections from "The King of Jazz." Songs—Mr. G. McLeod (Baritone)—accompanied by Miss N. McNeillie a. The Snowy Breasted Pearl (J. Robinson), b. She is Fair from the Land (F. Lohsbach).

Song—Mrs. G. McLeod (Soprano)—accompanied by Miss N. McNeillie a. The Last Rose of Summer (Old Irish Melody), b. Killarney (Mr. W. Balfe).

Song—Mr. C. R. Anderson (Tenor)—accompanied by Mrs. G. Mitchell a. Oh Virgin Rose (C. Marshall), b. Melandine in the Wood (E. Geetz).

Pianoforte Solo—Mr. S. B. Winram. a. You're the One I Care for, b. Give me Something to Remember You By.

Songs—Mr. G. McLeod (Baritone)—accompanied by Miss N. McNeillie a. The Sailor's Grave (A. S. Sullivan), b. Over the Sea to Sky (Words by R. L. Stevenson), God Save The King.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

LESSON SERMON.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONG KONG.

"Substance" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, March 15. The Golden Text was:—"Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase." (Proverbs 3. 9.)

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible:—"Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth. The glory of the Lord shall endure for ever: the Lord shall rejoice in his works." (Psalm 104: 30, 31.)

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy:—"Substance is that which is eternal and incapable of discord and decay. 'Spirit,' the synonym of Mind, Soul, or God, is the only real substance. The spiritual universe, including individual man, is a compound idea, reflecting the divine substance of Spirit. (p. 468.)

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JOSEPHINE K.

COASTGUARD STORY OF CHASE.

In the presence of the court of inquiry, which was opened in New York and of the new British Consul-General, Mr. Gerald Campbell, who attended on the invitation of the coastguard officials, Karl Schmidt, the boatswain in command of the coastguard patrol boat No. 145, testified that he personally had fired the shots at the Canadian schooner Josephine K, killing the captain, William Cluett.

As soon as he had testified that he had fired the shots Schmidt was informed that his status was changed from witness to defendant, and he was allowed to select counsel.

During the course of the inquiry Schmidt, who spoke with a German accent, declared that he had encountered a group of four boats 2½ miles south-east of the Ambrose lightship, that one of them, an unidentified motor-schooner, had slipped away in the darkness, that the Josephine K also broke away, but that a towboat and barge remained.

He had put two men aboard the towboat, he stated, and then started in pursuit of the Josephine K, blowing his whistle, and pointing a searchlight first at the Josephine K and then at his own masthead to identify the pursuer as a coast-guard boat.

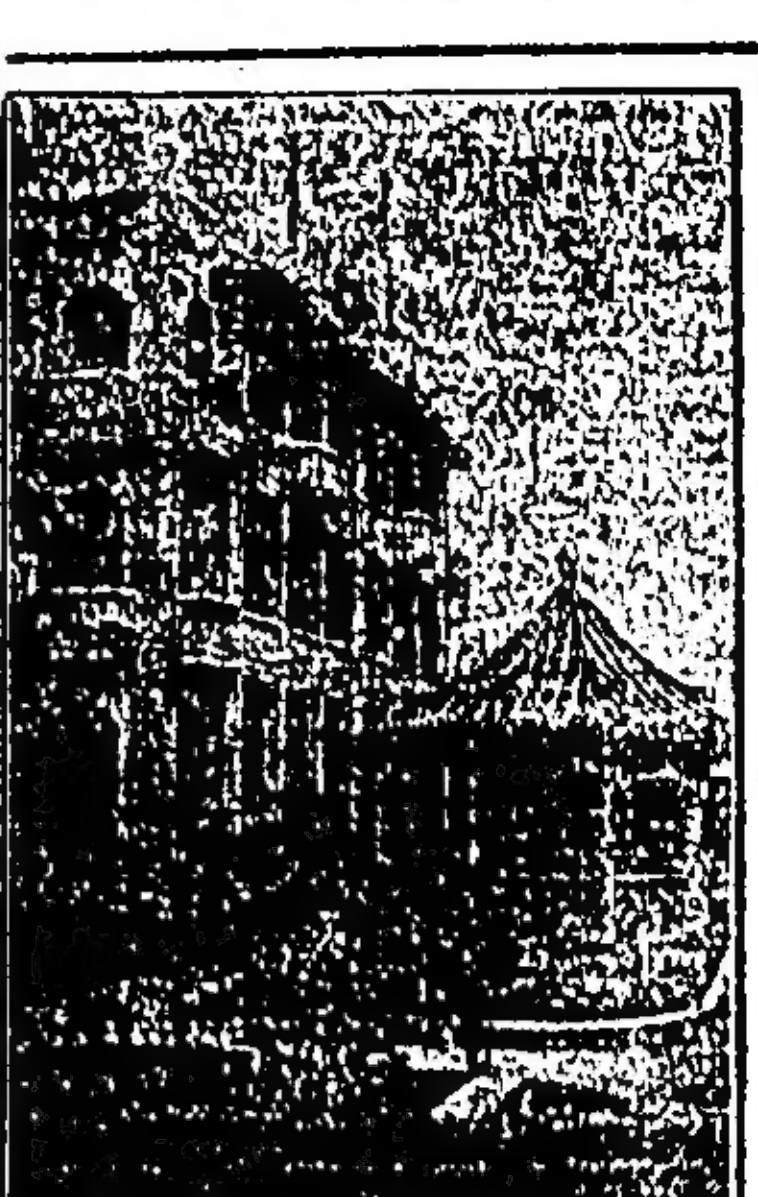
When after 1½ miles' chase the Josephine K showed no signs of stopping, Schmidt declared, he fired three blank shots, then three shells across the bow, following with two shells across the bow, following with two shells directly at the fleeing craft.

Regulations Followed.

His statements were followed by Captain Cecil Gabbett, who testified that Schmidt observed the procedure to be followed in the pursuit of smugglers under regulations issued in October, 1930, requiring that three blank shots and three shells across the bow to be followed, if the fugitive did not stop, by shots to disable the fugitive.

Mr. Louis Halle, counsel for the Liverpool Shipping Company, Halifax, owners of the Josephine K, maintained that the boat was 16 miles from the shore when the shots were fired, declaring that he had obtained affidavits to that effect from Wesley Anderson, mate of the Josephine K, and from members of the crew. Anderson was also quoted as stating that Schmidt was drunk at the time of the seizure, an assertion which was flatly denied by the coastguard authorities.

Schmidt, in addition to insisting that the Josephine K was never more than 10 miles from shore during the chase, quoted the skipper of the barge to the effect that the speed boat which escaped was engaged in hi-jacking the barge when the patrol boat appeared. While the inquiry into the Josephine K was being pressed another alleged rumboat, the Temiscouche, from St. John's, Newfoundland, was brought into port damaged by coastguard shellfire.

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NAVAL COMBAT.

RENOWN SHAKEN FROM STEM TO STERN.

REPULSE ENGAGED.

London, Saturday.
Reuter's special correspondent aboard H.M.S. Renown in the Fleet exercises in the Mediterranean graphically describes how furious volleys of shells were directed from one British battleship toward another when after night a search over the pitch-black Mediterranean the Renown found and engaged the Repulse in a "throw off" gunnery practice under War conditions.

The firing was a preliminary to the Atlantic Fleet's "big fight" which starts to-night.
"Throwing off" means shells fired at fully manned ships, but the guns are deflected so that the shots just miss.

After half an hour's search searchlights and streams of star shells from the Renown revealed the black silhouette of the Repulse. Then followed a broadside from the Renown's fifteen-inch guns, huge projectiles from which cascaded great columns of water as they fell just ahead of the Repulse, the concussion of the discharge shaking the Renown from stem to stern.

NAVAL TREATY.

U.S. MAY HELP TO DRAFT AGREEMENT.

UNWILLING TO SIGN.

Washington, Saturday.
Official circles believe that the United States will accept the British invitation to be represented on the committee which will draft the final form of the British, French and Italian naval agreement, as it is not considered that it is of direct concern to America.
—Reuter's American Service.

[An earlier cable referring to the attitude of the United States in regard to the Naval Treaty, stated:—The Secretary of State, Mr. H. L. Stimson, has given an official intimation to the effect that the United States may not sign the British, French and Italian Naval Treaty.

Mr. Stimson declares that he sees no reason for the signature of the United States, as the agreement is not of direct concern to America.]

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SHIP EXPLOSION.

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VESSEL OVERCROWDED?

Shanghai, Saturday.
The Tachi (not Pachi) disaster is attributed variously to munitions taken aboard by soldiery and the outbreak of fire in the cargo of raw cotton and sulphur. The steamer was licensed to carry 245 passengers, but it is estimated that between 500 and 600 were aboard, of whom at least 300 perished.—Reuter.

[A message of March 12 stated:—It is reported that a heavily-loaded Chinese passenger steamer, the Tachi, bound up river, blew up and sank last night, seventy miles from Shanghai. It is believed that 200 were drowned.

The vessel carried 100 Chinese soldiers among 300 Chinese passengers, and it is reported that a fire broke out aboard as the result of soldiers throwing cigarette ends into the cargo, which was mainly of cotton. An explosion quickly followed the outbreak of fire.]

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Friday, March 13.
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Sunday, March 15.
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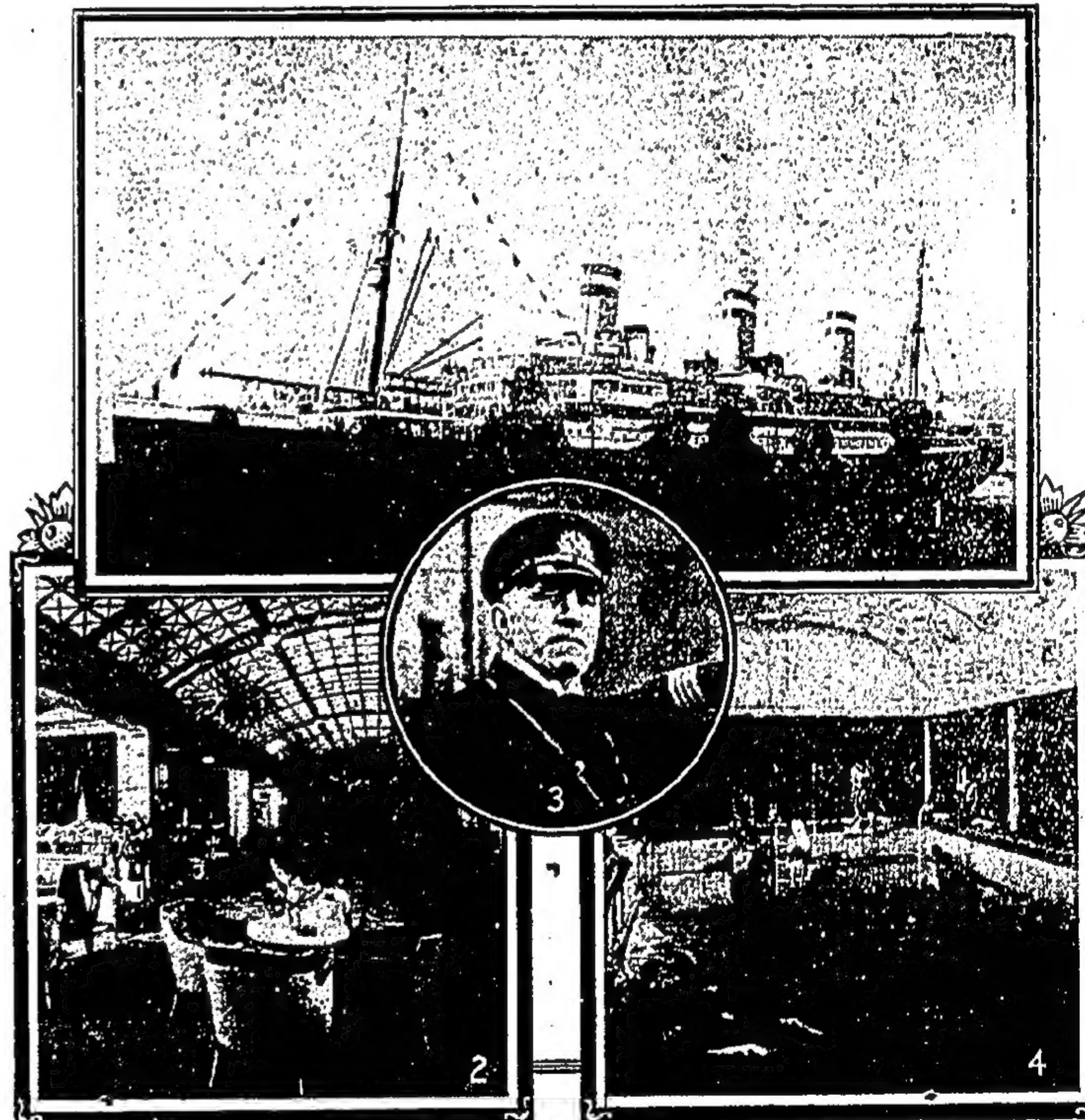
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*SOUFAN	—	25th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
*KALYAN	9,144	2nd May	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
COMORIN	15,132	9th May	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
*KASHMIR	9,885	23rd May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RANPURA	16,061	6th June	Mars, L'don, Hull, R'dam & A'werp.
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RAWALPINDI	16,019	4th July	Marseilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
*KHYBER	9,144	18th July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	16,558	1st Aug.	Marseilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
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NELLORE	6,853	6th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
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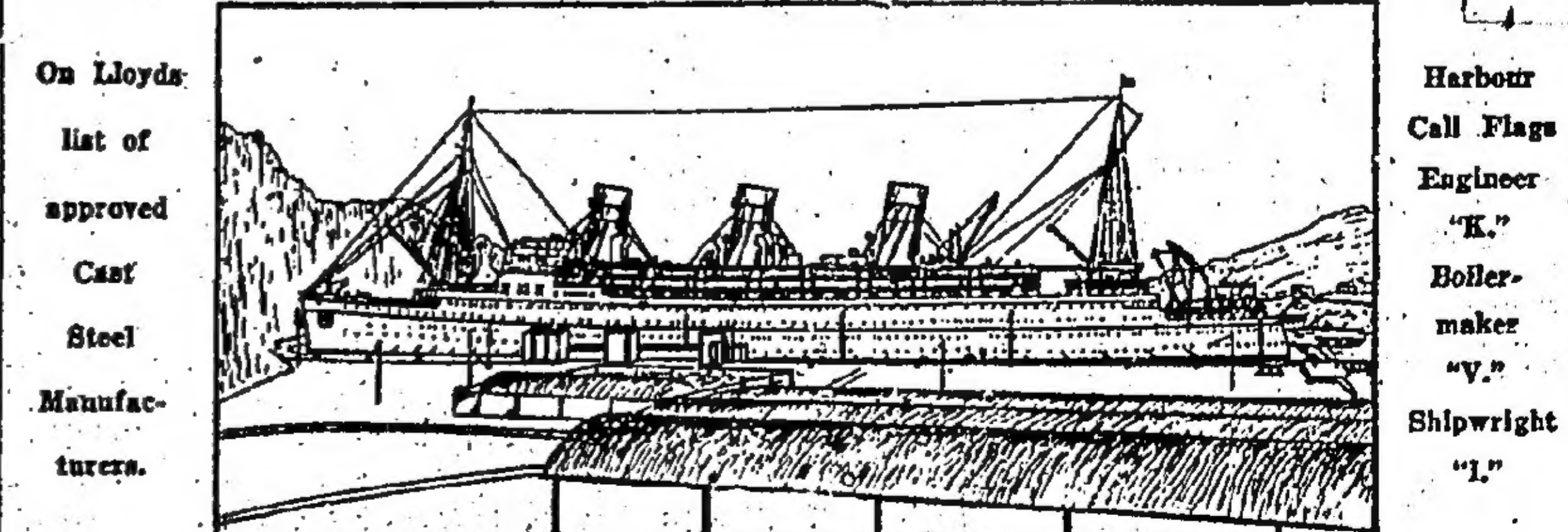
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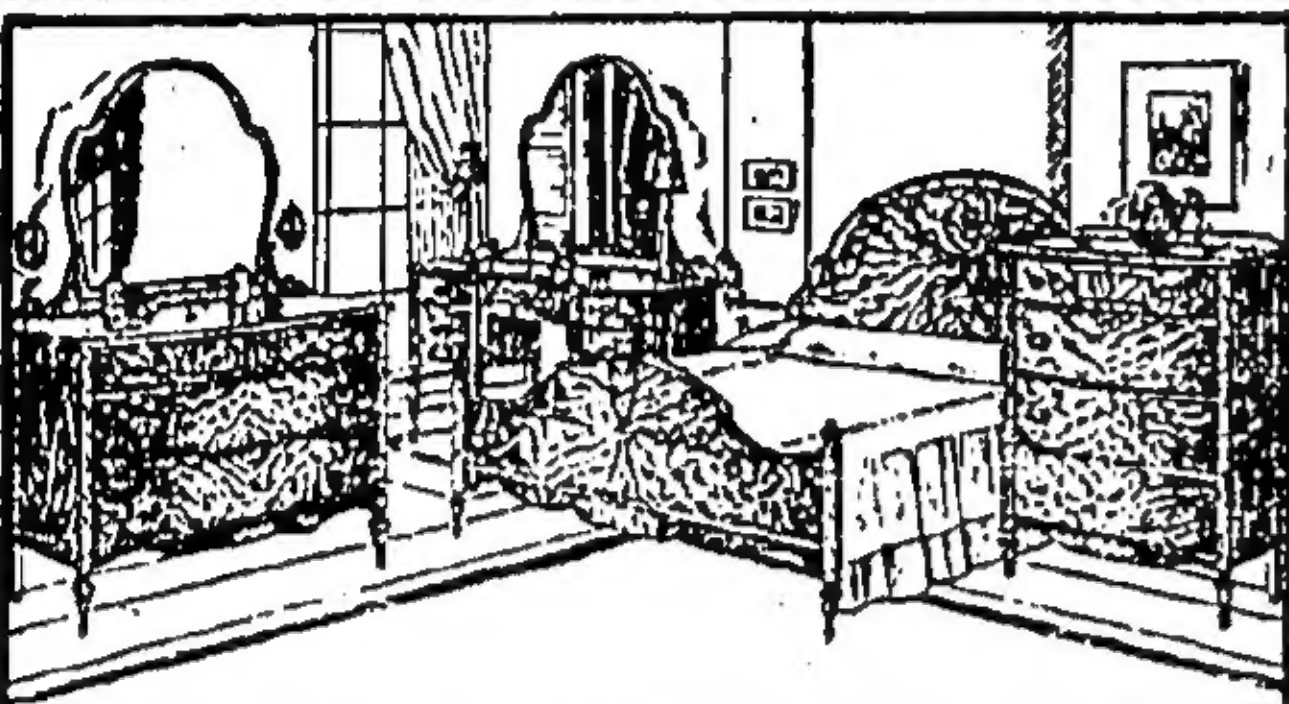


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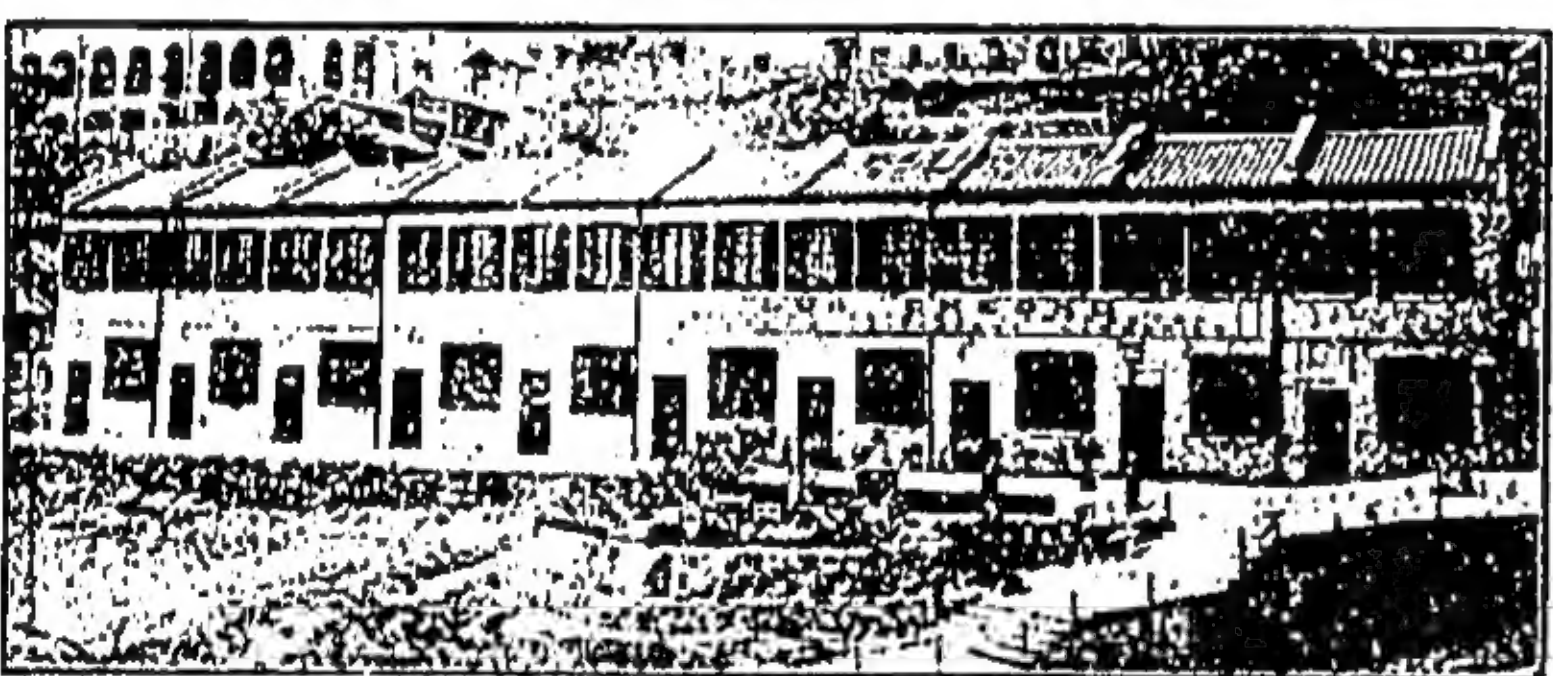


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CHINA'S MONEY.

An eloquent commentary on the expenditure of the Chinese Nationalist Government is to be found in figures furnished by Mr. T. V. Soong, Minister of Finance, in his report for the year ended June 30 last and only published now. He states that the Nationalist Government's expenditure was split up as follows:— Loan payments, 37.5 per cent.; military expenditure, 49.6 per cent., and civil expenditure, 12.9 per cent. The Budget deficit is \$101,000,000, and this sum is expected to be exceeded in the course of the financial year ending on June 30 next. The admission that nearly fifty per cent. of one year's expenditure has gone on the military is a grave one—one that ought of itself to make the numerous war lords pause and ask themselves whether civil war can ever be justified: whether the time has not indeed come to close their ranks and join their forces along paths of peace with their goal of permanent prosperity? Owing to the ravages of civil war throughout the country only 12.9 per cent. of the expenditure could be allocated to civic requirements, thus disclosing what a tremendous leeway has to be made up in regard to civil administration—to maintenance of and repairs to roads, bridges, public works of every conceivable kind, and so forth. It is little wonder that Mr. T. V. Soong declares that the present civil expenditure provides only for the bare minimum of existence.

Provided that the war lords can be made to profit from the bitter lessons of the past and refrain from provoking conflicts either against each other or against the Government now in power in Nanking, there ought to be no real ground for pessimism in the financial years succeeding that ending on June 30 next. True, vast sums have still to be expended on the necessitous campaigns against Communists, bandits, and pirates. That task must be brought to a successful conclusion, no matter how great the financial cost, as otherwise China's trade recovery must continue to be retarded and her civil rehabilitation deferred still further. If the Government in Nanking can weather the storms of civil warfare, it can also weather the blasts of troubles occurred by Reds, bandits, and pirates. Thus there is no reason for the real leaders of China—those to whom the country's welfare comes first and personal aggrandisement, nowhere—taking an ultra-pessimistic view of what the immediate future has in store for the country as a whole. Rather is there the foundation for that optimism that helps tremendously in the effort to solve a nation's internal trials and difficulties. If the will to win out persists in the same degree as at the present juncture, civil war, Communism, banditry and piracy should in less than a decade be but a bitter memory. China should settle down to enjoy at long last an uninterrupted era of peace, plenty, and prosperity at home and of friendliness, amity, and goodwill abroad.

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 63 degrees. The humidity was 93 at 10 a.m. and 92 at 4 p.m.

The Rev. J. J. Hodgins, M.A., C.F., arrived in the Colony on Saturday from Shanghai on the s.s. Saarland. Mr. Hodgins is staying here for two weeks before proceeding home.

A wreath will be laid on the Cenotaph by Colonel C. D. Myles, O.B.E., Vice-President of St. Patrick's Society, at 11 a.m. tomorrow. The full Committee are expected to be in attendance.

To-day the Young Women's Christian Association begins a finance campaign for \$10,000. Enlisted as workers in the campaign are 55 Chinese ladies, who will visit old friends and subscribers of the Association and solicit their annual subscriptions, and endeavour to win new friends and subscribers. The Association numbers among its friends many loyal supporters in both the Chinese and non-Chinese communities.

Mr. E. D. Shank returned to the Colony from Shanghai by the s.s. President Madison to-day.

The Central British School's annual Sports will be held at King's Park on Saturday, commencing at 2 p.m.

Fourteen days' imprisonment was imposed at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on Wong Sing Tin, for stealing seven iron rods from a house under construction in Yau-matli.

Among those who are staying in the St. Francis Hotel are the French aviators, Monsieur Moench and Monsieur Burtin, also Captain Johansson and the officers of the wrecked m.v. Roseville.

A motor car belonging to Mr. A. S. MacKiehan, of Messrs. Leigh & Orange, was completely destroyed by fire after it had been taken into a garage in Russell Street last night. The origin of the fire is not yet known.

Under the auspices of the University Amateur Photographic Club, a cinema show of educational interest will be given by Eastman Kodak, Ltd., in the University Union Assembly Room at 8.30 p.m. on Wednesday.

H.E. the Governor (Sir William Peel, K.B.E., K.C.M.G.) accompanied by the Inspector-General of Police (the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C.M.G.) and Chief Inspector P. Grant paid a visit to several Police Stations this morning.

The local Police entertained their Shanghai confreres in the Police Recreation Club on Saturday night when a most enjoyable smoking concert was held. Hosts and guests provided some good talent, and all spent a very happy and convivial evening.

Prof. C. A. Middleton Smith, will address the Arts Association of the Hong Kong University on "The New Civilisation in China," on Thursday, March 19, at 8.30 p.m. in Room K of the Main Building of the University. All interested are cordially invited.

Cho Cho, a stoker on the s.s. Ha Lok Sze, pleaded guilty in the Kowloon Police Court to-day to stealing a grey felt hat, the property of Man Ping, from a contractor's hut in the Kowloon Dock premises. One month's imprisonment was imposed.

Stated to be an ex-policeman, and having three previous convictions, Ho Ying-pui was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning sent to jail for three months for stealing a piece of timber, the property of Li Wah, from No. 311, Portland Street.

The wedding took place in St. John's Cathedral on Saturday afternoon, of Mr. John Barnes, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Barnes, and Gertrude Lavinia Rowbotham, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Rowbotham. The Dean (the Very Rev. A. Swann, M.A., D.S.C.) officiated.

Mrs. Constanca Leocadia da Rocha died at her residence in Wanchai Road yesterday, at the age of 82 years. She is survived by her son, Mr. E. M. da Rocha, and two married daughters, Mrs. Marques and Mrs. Remedios. The funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

The courage of a cook on the second floor of 99, Belcher Street frustrated an attempted armed robbery by three men, one of whom was armed with a file, yesterday. The men entered under the pretext of having come to fix electric lights and water pipes. Lo Po-shun, the cook, shouted out and the robbers, becoming alarmed, made good their escape. Nothing was stolen.

MR. R. H. HAMSON.

FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY.

PROFUSION OF WREATHS.

The funeral of Mr. R. H. Hamson, who passed away in the early hours of Friday morning, took place at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon, the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, M.A., officiating at the graveside. A large crowd of mourners paid their last respects. A profusion of wreaths were placed on the grave, among them being those from: "Loving son Arthur," "Loving son Tommy," "Loving Children Connie and Henry," "Loving Cousin," "Loving aunts," "Loving brothers and sisters," "Loving nephews and nieces," "Bertie and Mary."

CORRESPONDENCE.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO.

(To the Editor of "China Mail.")

Sir,—Your correspondent, "Impartial's" review of value of shares, appearing in the column of your valuable paper some time ago, now clearly proves that the strictures he then made on certain stocks were indeed justified and honest in the extreme, now that I have before me the Company's Report and Accounts for 1930, and I would really like to see now and again in your paper such honest and truthful review by your correspondent.

The profit of the Company's legitimate business amounts to \$76,702.11 only, and out of this it is proposed to pay a dividend absorbing \$136,000. What a policy indeed! True, the Company has made a profit of \$11,240 on Interest and Exchange, of \$33,488 on Income from Investments, of \$20,491 on Unclaimed Dividends from 1915 to 1925, of \$149,270 on Sale of Investments and of \$13,514 on Sale of Deep Water Bay property; but, as all these items of profit were made outside the scope of its legitimate trade, that is to say, of manufacturing and sale of cement, they are, therefore, non-recurring, that is to say, they will not appear in the Company's books again; while the Investments account has shrunk from \$564,656 to \$147,162 only which may or may not bring in any profit this year, and, assuming that it does, it will, at best, be very small.

As predicted by your correspondent, "Impartial," there is, on the Company's own admission, outside its Balance Sheet, an outstanding liability by the Company of \$120,000 and \$400,000 in connection with the New Plant of the Company which is very dismal reading indeed; and this was the reason why the Company withdrew its announcement of calling in only \$4 per share on the new shares as by doing so and refunding \$2.50 per share on the old shares to shareholders, it will be utterly impossible for the Company to meet this huge liability. Moreover, even if the Company were to call in the whole call of \$6.50 on the new shares without making any refund to shareholders, still the Company's financial position leaves much to be desired.

Yet in the face of all these adverse factors, the Company deemed it expedient to pay a dividend costing \$136,000 which could be better applied by conserving it to pay off its liability, seeing that it will take years before the new plant can turn out cement in such plentiful quantity as to enable the Company to earn enough to make up for its cost and also to put the Company's finance in a sound state; for it must be remembered that in cement the business is a very competitive one because, besides the different kinds of cement usually imported into the Colony from various places, the Company has a potential competitor in a like concern in Canton, whose plant is most modern and cost only \$2,000,000 as the purchase price was paid in full before the slump in exchange; so that with raw material at hand, cheaper labour, and much less capital expenditure, the Canton cement company will, after satisfying Canton's great need of cement for the present, be in a good position to offer strong competition in this trade.

In view, therefore, of the Company's position as disclosed by its balance sheet and a dividend of 34 cents only on combined shares, it is truly inconceivable that Cement shares are still quoted at such an absurdly high price as \$16.70 per combined share.

Yours, etc.,

TRUTH.

Hong Kong, March 16.

S.P.C.A. BALL.

(To the Editor of "China Mail.")

Sir,—I shall be glad if you will be kind enough to publish this short letter of thanks.

Our Carnival Dance, held at the Peninsula Hotel on the evening of March 14 was a great success and, on behalf of the S.P.C.A., I wish to thank all those who assisted in the work. During the evening I received a letter enclosing (\$100) One hundred dollars, as a donation in memory of Dear Old Jack, from Bess and Nigger. Dear Bess and Nigger, on behalf of the Society and all your "Pals," I thank you very much.

Yours, etc.,

J. RUSSELL.

Hong Kong, March 14, 1931.

themselves against man; but nowadays no animal can resist the power of man who is provided with fatal weapons, as guns. A little forethought will hinder man from ill-treating the poor animals.

GUIDE RALLA

CUP PRESENTED TO 5TH H.K. COMPANY.

WINNERS OF ESSAY.

A rally, in which local Girl Guides participated, took place at the Diocesan Girls' School playground on Saturday morning, when the S.P.C.A. Essay Cup was presented by the Hon. Mrs. Tufton to the 5th Hong Kong Company, the winners of the essay competition "Have Animals a Claim on our Consideration?"

Man is generally the chief agent of a wide and continual distress to the lower animals, which though created to benefit humanity, was not destined to suffer from its master.

The winning essay is as follows:—
Many a time, through recklessness and heedlessness of mind, mankind ill-treat the animals. But is it correct? The animals have a claim on our gratitude, for having benefitted us in so many ways.

Creatures they are, and inferior ones too, but their nature feels as much as ours does. These poor animals just look, and tremble, and give forth the very indications of suffering as we do. They are a distinct cry of pain. They put on the same aspect of terror on the demonstrations of a menaced blow; they exhibit the same distortions of agony after the infliction of it.

Their blood circulates as ours, and they have pulsations in various parts of their body as we have. They sicken, grow feeble with age, and finally die just as we do.

They have the same feelings and instincts that we have. A lioness robbed of her whelps causes the wilderness to ring aloud with proclamations of her wrongs; or a bird robbed of his little household flocks and saddens the grove with melodies of deepest pathos.

A Just Claim.
Yet man regards them as senseless beings, incapable of suffering and of happiness, but such is not the case. They have a heart as much as we have, and so they have a just claim on our kindness, help, and protection.

In gratitude for their beneficial services, to Mankind we should treat them accordingly to some extent, and feed them well.
Some domestic animals, as the horse and dog, have a high degree of sensitiveness, and they know well how to repay their masters. The horse, in gratitude, will be willing to carry heavy loads, and give his master a good, long ride. The dog instead, will be ever watchful for his master's house, and will express joy at his master's presence.

Animals, like man, are found all over the globe. In the temperate regions they are hunted for the sake of their fur, as foxes, squirrels, and brown bears.

The cow and goat, for instance, provide us with meat and milk. The latter can be made into cheese and butter, and milk is a perfect food specially for infants and adults.

Created For Our Benefit.
Man could not do without the animals previously mentioned, and as they are created for our benefit by the thoughtful Creator, we have to treat them in the best way possible.

Even in the Arctic and Antarctic regions, animals are found as polar bears, seals, and whales. In the Barren Lands, the Eskimos are provided with the reindeer, which serves not only as an animal of burden, but also provides them with meat, milk, oil, fat as well as clothing.

All over the globe, men hunt these animals to supply them selves with comfort and warmth; but they do not realise that in killing these animals, they sadden the hearts of the mother of those creatures, thinking that they are incapable of suffering.

Animals are inferior to us because they have a mortal soul, which decays with the body, while we, human beings, have immortal souls.

Now as one has in view all the benefits derived from animals, one would surely be kind to them, and not ill-treat those poor creatures; though they are provided by Mother Nature with natural weapons, they are not able to fight against man. In early days the primitive men could not fight so easily with animals, and they could defend

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Ten Years Ago.

(From "China Mail" of March 16, 1921.)

To-day's dollar is worth 2/4-1/2.
Crown land, measuring 19,302 square feet (Inland Lot No. 2,324) on Shaukiwan Road was sold for \$10,150 at an auction at the Public Works Department. The purchasers were Mr. Tam Wing-on and Mr. Lo Yuk-tong. The upset price was \$9,651.

A GREAT SOUTH AFRICAN.

Reminiscences of a Notable Life.

SIR PERCY FITZPATRICK.

The death of Sir J. Percy Fitzpatrick, which took place in South Africa recently, aroused little general interest in Malaya, but to a few of us it gave a pang of regret, as we knew that one of the great personalities of the Empire of a generation ago had gone to his long rest.

Fitzpatrick was South African born—presumably of Irish stock—but of the early life, I know little. Whilst still a young man, however, he did what many South Africans without any specific training, did in those days—he became a "Transport Rider"—that is, he undertook the transport of merchandise, machinery, etc., by way from the railway termini to unconnected villages, mines, etc., particularly perhaps to Kimberley, the Mecca of the early gold seekers.

Railways, motor lorries, etc., have almost driven the ox-wagons from the South African roads nowadays, but forty to thirty years ago, even later, strings of them could be seen threading their way across the veld, making roads or at least tracks, as they went.

The Boer Governments looked on "Transport Riding" as one of the country's essential industries, and opposed as long as possible the construction of railways into their territories, fearing their crushing competition. The first railway in the Transvaal, as a matter of fact,—"along the Reef" (Johannesburg)—was authorised only because in the "Concession," it was specifically designated—"The Rand Tram."

Fitzpatrick must have loved the life—"trekking" through unopened country, wide open plains with marvellous sunsets and sunrises glowing on the distant mountain ranges, on through the thick and glamorous "bushveld"—"crawling



"It's all very well, your husband being in the 'Smash and Grab' business, but if he don't soon replace these bricks, I'll tell the police!"

Passing Show, London.

with game in those days—on through the river "drifts" (floods) if one was lucky enough to meet a river, on over the mountain passes ("poorts" or "necks"), and down the winding koppe-flanked valleys. Doubtless he had his riding pony, and doubtless too, he often slipped off into the bush,—(whilst the wagons creaked along in the cave of the Head "Boy," and the "boor-looper"—with his rifle or gun, to bring back "something for the pot"—Steinhuck, Duiker, Springbok, Guinea Fowl, "Pauw" (Bustard), Partridge, Knorhaan, Dikoon, etc.,—a glorious, interesting, open healthy life.

Books of the Bushveld.

Yes! he must have loved it; for probably no man has written more irresistibly of the fascinations of the "bushveld" than he has in his wonderful book—"Jock of the Bushveld."

"Jock" was a dog, and the story, though completely different in its setting and incidents, deserves to rank with that other artistic masterpiece of a dog story—"Rob and his Friends."

He gives a wonderfully vivid description of the old pioneering prospectors, boring their lonely ways into the wilds, living on the country as they went, many of them alas! ceasing to live when fever caught them in some remote miasmatic valley.

After the prospectors—(I quote from memory, as I lent my "Jock"), he says—"came the hunters who traded, and the traders who hunted."

He wrote another most fascinating book—"The Outspan"—again full of the grip of the South African veld, introducing most delightfully the "bliss" pronounced Play)—shallow patches of water, often temporary, and usually fringed with wildfowl, sometimes including that bird which is universally acknowledged to be "wonderful"—the Pelican.

I would not dare to read either of those books at present—far, far too unsettling.

We now skip over a number of years and find Fitzpatrick installed as General Manager of H. Eckstein and Co., "The Corner House," the leading mining owners, promoters, and controllers in Johannesburg, and established in London as Wernhen Belt and Co.

More years pass and Johannesburg writes under the un-sympathetic, despotic, and somewhat archaic Government of Paul Kruger and his satellites.

A "Reform Committee" is formed, comprising most of the leading men in the city, irrespective of nationality, to ventilate grievances and to demand "Reforms."

The "Uitlanders."

The "big five" members were, Charles Leonard (the Chairman), a South African Attorney, John Hayes Hammond, an American and probably the leading mining engineer of the world, George Farrar, (Farrar Bros., mine owners, etc.), Col. Frank Rhodes (Cecil's brother), and J. P. Fitzpatrick (Secretary).

The principal objects of the Committee were (1) to obtain representation on a reasonable basis (the old, old cry), (2) to have taxation less unduly specialised on the newcomers ("Uitlanders"), (3) to have more protection for life and property (murders etc., were very frequent), (4) to have some English Education, (5) to have a less corrupt and more efficient administration etc., etc.

There was no declared intention of altering the form of Government, or of changing the Flag—merely, by a reasonable extension of the Franchise, to have a genuine Republic, instead of an Oligarchy, as the Transvaal had then become.

There was much sympathy, however, for the other side of the question. President Kruger, himself, was, of course, one of the "boortrekkers," and so were some of his followers, and the others, if they themselves had not shed their blood, and endured privations and dangers innumerable in occupying the country, they were at least, the children of those who had, and naturally enough they hated the idea of allowing what they considered a temporary population of gold chasers and of alien adventurers, to divide authority with them. Time has shown how groundless their fears were, as even now, just over thirty-five years later, with an open (European) Franchise, the Government of South Africa is still in the hands of the same old Dutch party. Personalities have changed and methods have certainly advanced, but, in essentials, the policy of Hertzog to-day is the same as was the policy of Paul Kruger, 35 years ago.

The requests of the Reformers met with little sympathy or encouragement from the Government, though a few, especially of the younger members (such as Smuts) counselled some degree of conciliation. The general attitude was thus expressed by one member of the "bushveld" (People's Council):—"If they want the Franchise, let them fight for it."

Cecil Rhodes, at this time, was Prime Minister of Cape Colony, as well as head of the Chartered Co. (Rhodesia), and a great though secret supporter of the Reformers. Arms to a moderate—very moderate—extent were smuggled into Johannesburg, and arrangements were being made for an armed rising. Meantime, Dr. Jameson, Administrator of Rhodesia, mobilised about 600 of their military police on the Transvaal border, ready when the word was given to dash for Johannesburg to co-operate with the Reformers—ostensibly to guard the women and children in case of disturbances.

Jameson grew impatient of delays, and finally, without receiving the signal, made his famous—or infamous—"Raid" into the Transvaal. It was a shameful act, and ill judged, but unquestionably plucky, and when I saw them two or three days later, outside Krugersdorp, I yearned to go to their aid, and felt all the youthful fever and fervour of hero worship.

The Reformers were unprepared and collapsed, and Jameson surrendered next day at Doornkop within about twelve miles of Johannesburg.

Consternation prevailed in the city. Charles Leonard, made a lucky, but undignified escape to Cape Colony, and was duly banished, but nearly all the other leading Reformers—now called "ring-leaders"—were arrested. A special court was constituted to try the four of them already mentioned—Hammond, Farrar, Rhodes, Fitzpatrick, on a charge of High Treason. They were, all four, found guilty, and sentenced to death, which sent a chill down the spine of each "Uitlander" in the country.

Looking back on it, there is little doubt but that the above sentences were passed mainly to give the Kruger Government a theatrical opportunity of showing its great clemency.

A few days passed, and then the tension was relieved by the sentences being commuted to four fines of £25,000—each, and short terms of imprisonment.

The Reform movement, and its denouements form a most interesting incident, the story of which is admirably told by Fitzpatrick in his monumental book—"The Transvaal from within"—compiled largely from official sources, and written with scrupulous fairness.

As a sequence—and a natural one—the Transvaal Government in-

troduced into the country on a large scale—not reforms, but guns, heavy and light, from the Grenot factory of France, and the Krupp factory of Germany.

I saw some of them unparaded at the "Staats Artillerie" Barracks, Pretoria in 1897, when I lay, sick night unto death for a time with enteric fever, in the "bolks hospital" adjoining, and I wondered then that Great Britain, as paramount, if not "Suzerain" (that was disputed) power in South Africa, did not say "Stop," as, obviously, each fresh gun that arrived increased the risk of what eventually transpired—that S.A. War (1899-1902).

At the conclusion of that most distressing and regrettable war, the Transvaal was under Maritz Law, which gave place later to Crown Colony Government, then to Representative (nominated Members), and later to Responsible Government.

A Political Leader.

I cannot recall anything of Fitzpatrick in those passing years, but on the introduction of Responsible Government, he took his natural place as a great figure in local politics, being leader, if my memory does not fail me, of the "Progressive" Party (British and some Modern Dutch)—opposed to which was the South African Party, under General Botha, Smuts, Hertzog etc.—essentially a Dutch Party.

There was much jealousy in those days, there is some still between beautiful, and dignified Pretoria (the seat of Government), bureaucratic, and superior, and Johannesburg, the haunt of the Gold "Diggers," and adventurers of many nations,—now also a great commercial, industrial and educational centre.

General Botha stood for a Pretoria Constituency, and it may be accepted that he was the most trusted, and most popular man in what was, practically, his own city.

To my amazement, Fitzpatrick—a Johannesburg man—got nominated for the same constituency—carried the war of peace into the enemy's camp—and then followed a gladiatorial struggle.

The only other election that stands in my memory bracketed with this one in displaying in an equal degree the paladin spirit of courage in what was apparently, a forlorn hope, was when Major-General Andrew Gilbert Wanchope of Niddrie, long years before, challenged Gladstone in Midlothian.

The fight in each case was much more than a conflict of political principles.

Wanchope had the enormous advantage of being a local man, trusted and loved, yet he was beaten. Fitzpatrick—miracle of miracles—captured the seat, and Botha had to hunt for another constituency in the "veld," or as we would say in these parts, in the "ulu."

More years passed, and the unification of South Africa took place (Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal, and Natal), and in the widened but similar political parties, Fitzpatrick again attacked Botha in Pretoria, and again defeated him.

For a time I had thought it possible that Fitzpatrick might become the first "Union" Premier, but long before the first Union elections, took place I had sensed that it must be Botha; though the claims of John X. Merriman, the great orator of the "Cape" had many supporters.

Somehow, perhaps owing to health considerations, Fitzpatrick did not press his political career, and for many years, he has not figured in public life at all.

Eleven months ago, it happened that Fitzpatrick and I left Cape Town for Europe on the same day, but on different steamers. I remember it clearly as when I went to say "Good Bye" to a brother, I met him just returning from extending a similar courtesy to Fitzpatrick. Fitzpatrick was a sick man then going "home" partly on health account, and partly to arrange for the publication of another book.

Four days later our steamers lay side by side in Walvis—Walvis Bay—that was. Another day and our paths had diverged once more—this time permanently.

From an Empire point of view Fitzpatrick will be remembered for some years as the originator of the "Two minutes Silence" on Armistice Day, but I venture to think that his "Jock of the Bushveld" will last longer than the "Silence." May he rest in peace.—L.R.M.

TRIAL FLIGHT.

NANKING-BERLIN SERVICE INAUGURATED.

NON-STOP TRIP.

Peking, Yesterday.

Two aeroplanes on a trial flight, inaugurating the Nanking-Berlin air service, arrived here this afternoon from Shanghai, making a non-stop trip in seven hours.—Reuter.

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REDS WITHDRAW.

PEKING-HANKOW TRAINS RESUME RUN.

LINE NOW WELL GUARDED.

Hankow, Saturday.

Through trains on the Peking-Hankow Railway resumed on Thursday.

On the railway line the affected area is now heavily guarded by the Sixth Division of Nanking Troops.

The Reds are reported to have withdrawn fifteen li from the railway line.—Reuter.

MISSING BARONET.

WIFE CONFIDENT THAT HE WILL RETURN.

Teddington, Jan. 14.

No news has yet been received of Sir Francis Barrow, the baronet who disappeared 18 years ago, and who was asked in an SOS broadcast last night to come to the sick bed of his son.

The son and heir, Mr. Wilfred John Wilson Croker Barrow, is in a grave condition at his home, Cromer House, Hampton Road, Teddington.

His wife and his mother, Lady Barrow, are with him night and day. During the last few days he has asked for his father several times, and so, although Sir Francis had not been heard of since he went away from his London home in 1912, it was decided to broadcast an appeal for him to return.

Lady Barrow was in the grounds of Cromer House—a big old country house, standing well back from the Hampton Road. She was with her two little granddaughters, the pretty children of Mr. Barrow. She had just snatched a short time to take a walk before returning to her son.

Lady Barrow stated that she is confident that her husband will respond to the appeal.

"I have not heard from him or heard anything of him for all those years," she said, "but I feel convinced that he is alive and in this country."

"Something seems to tell me that either he will have heard the appeal or that some people in touch with him will, and that within a few hours perhaps he will be here."

"My son is a little better to-day. The news that his father has been asked to come to see him has cheered him up, and he, too, thinks that he will come. He is able to sit up in bed to-day."

In the house, too, are the two brothers of Mr. Barrow, Mr. Alfred Francis Barrow and Mr. Edward Barrow.

War Services.

Mr. Wilfred Barrow is 33 and in 1926 he married Miss Patricia Uinake. They lived at Castelnau until last month, when they moved into Cromer House. Mr. Barrow was then in good health, but he was taken ill about 12 days ago. His illness is attributed to war services in France, where he served as a captain in the Royal Fusiliers. He joined the Army when he was 17.

Sir Francis Laurence John Barrow, the fourth baronet, was born in August 1892. He succeeded his father, Sir John Croker, in 1900.

Ten years before he had married Winifred Sarah, daughter of the late Mr. W. C. Steward, of Cartgats, Whitehaven.

He has a daughter, and three sons, of whom the eldest is Wilfred John Wilson Croker Barrow, on whose behalf the wireless appeal was broadcast.

The missing baronet's daughter, Mildred Mary Winifred Barrow is now Mrs. Stanhope Rowe, and is living in Jamaica.

The other two sons are Albert Francis, aged twenty-six, and Edward Barrow, aged eighteen. One of Sir Francis' sisters, Mary Mercy Barrow, is a Franciscan nun.

The second baronet was chief clerk at the Colonial Office. Mrs. Wilfred Barrow last night

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel.

To-night—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel, Peninsula Hotel and Hotel Cecil.

To-day—Police Interport Dinner, Police Recreation Club, 8 p.m.

To-morrow—St. Patrick's Society's Ball, Peninsula Hotel.

Friday—Yorkshire Society's Dinner.

Entertainments.

To-day—Queen's Theatre.

"High Society Blues."

To-day—Central Theatre.

"Slightly Scarlet."

To-day—Majestic Theatre.

"Journey's End."

To-day—Star Theatre.

"Money Talks."

To-day—World Theatre.

"Flying Swords Woman," (Chinese picture).

To-day—St. Patrick's Catholic Club Concert, 9 p.m.

Thursday—Concert, Helena May Institute.

Sports.

See Diary on page 8.

Meetings.

Wednesday—Green Island Cement Co., Exchange Building 11.30 a.m.

Wednesday—Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., 2, Lower Albert Road, noon.

Friday—Hong Kong Automobile Association, Jardine Matheson Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

March 30—Society of St. George, Jardine Matheson's Board Room, 5.30 p.m.

Home Mails.

To-day—Inward from America and ports (Hijie Maru); Outward for America, 5 p.m.; and Europe via Siberia, 6 p.m. (President Madison).

To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Athos II); Outward for Europe via Marseilles (Athos II), 2.30 p.m.

Lammerts' Auction.

Wednesday—At 8, Peak Mansion, household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

Miscellaneous.

March 23—St. Joseph's College prize distribution, 5 p.m.

CREATING LIFE IN THE LABORATORY.

A Link Between Lifeless and Living.

Artificial cells, brought into existence in the laboratory of Dr. George W. Crile at the Cleveland Clinic, may form a link between the lifeless and the living, it was revealed by Dr. Crile in an interview.

The cells procured by division, just as do many living unicellular animals such as the amoeba, and have exhibited reactions to oxygen and to poisons similar to that of living cells.

Primitive Cells.

Further research may reveal that they are primitive cells resembling more nearly the cells of cancer and hence throwing important light upon the study of that disease.

These facts were revealed when Dr. Crile for the first time discussed the work which has been going on in his laboratory and made known details of the experiment, news of which leaked out a few weeks ago and was published throughout America as "The artificial creation of life."

"For the present," said Dr. Crile, "let us regard the cell as somewhere in the vague ground between the lifeless and the living."

declined to add anything to the announcement.

She said that she supplied the information to the B.B.C. herself in the hope that it would lead to the tracing of her husband's father, but she did not want to say anything more.

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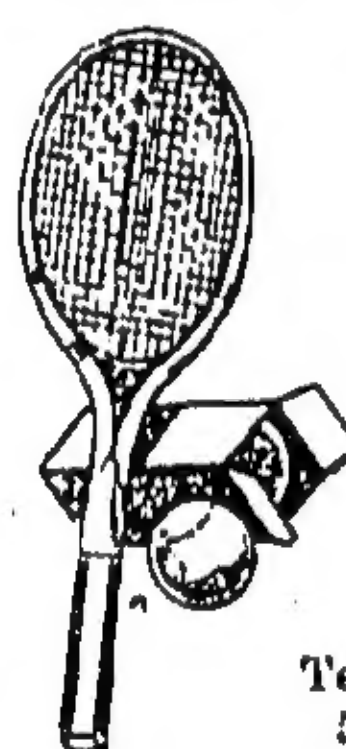
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LEAGUE MATCHES.

To-day's Cup Ties and League

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ENGLISH CUP.

Semi-Finals.

Birmingham 2 Sunderland
[At Leeds.]
West Bromwich 1 Everton
[At Manchester.]

SCOTTISH CUP.

Semi-Finals.

Kilmarnock 0 Celtic
[Hamden Park, Glasgow.]
Motherwell 1 St. Mirren
[Droghda Park, Glasgow.]

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aston Villa 5 Arsenal
Bolton 6 Sheffield U.
Chelsea 3 Blackburn
Huddersfield 1 Portsmouth
Liverpool 0 Derby Co.
Manchester U. 1 Leicester C.
Middlesbrough 4 Manchester C.
Newcastle 0 Blackpool
Sheffield W. 2 Leeds U.

* Not played.

Goals.	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Arsenal	31 21 8 4 104 51 60
Aston Villa	32 29 8 6 109 63 48
Wednesday	33 18 6 9 84 63 42
Derby	32 15 8 9 78 62 38
Portsmouth	32 14 10 8 68 56 38
Manchester C.	31 15 7 12 63 61 37
Liverpool	33 18 10 10 73 65 36
Middlesbrough	34 15 6 13 76 68 36
Huddersfield	32 13 11 6 77 59 34
Blackburn	34 12 7 15 70 71 32
West Ham	32 13 6 13 70 71 32
Sheffield U.	32 11 9 13 67 64 31
Sunderland	31 10 9 12 72 72 29
Leicester	32 11 3 16 67 77 29
Chelsea	32 11 8 13 64 57 30
Grimsby	32 12 7 13 67 72 30
Newcastle	31 12 17 11 73 78 28
Birmingham	31 9 13 14 65 57 27
Bolton	33 10 8 15 60 78 28
Blackpool	33 9 8 16 55 101 26
Leeds	31 5 20 27 54 73 23
Manchester U.	32 5 22 39 33 15

Goals.	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Everton	31 24 1 3 104 46 52
Tottenham	32 29 3 10 75 41 41
West Brom.	31 16 7 8 62 37 39
Port Vale	33 17 3 13 61 53 37
Volvo	32 15 0 14 69 54 36
Preston N.E.	32 15 7 11 72 51 37
Bradford	31 15 6 12 61 58 36
Southampton	33 15 6 12 59 48 36
Barnley	33 13 9 11 66 67 35
Bradford C.	32 11 6 12 51 54 34
Bury	31 15 3 15 67 68 32
Millwall	32 14 5 13 67 68 32
Oldham	32 12 6 15 43 57 30
Stoke	32 12 8 13 47 60 32
Charlton	32 12 7 14 44 68 31
Swansea	31 11 7 15 48 68 29
Notts For.	33 9 15 10 69 27
Barnley	32 9 15 10 69 27
Reading	33 10 7 16 39 69 27
Plymouth	32 9 17 15 69 25
Reading	33 10 5 18 53 77 25
Cardiff	33 7 5 21 41 73 19

Goals.	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Bradford	3 3 Norwich
Brighton	1 Notts Co.
Bristol R.	1 Fulham
Crystal Palace	4 Queen's P. R.
Exeter	2 Watford
Gillingham	0 Bournemouth
Luton	2 Coventry
Newport	3 Swindon
Northampton	4 Thames
Southend	2 Walsall
Torquay	5 Clapton O.

Goals.	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Notts Onty.	33 21 7 5 83 38 49
Northampton	33 16 8 9 65 41 40
Brentford	33 16 8 11 74 55 38
Southend	32 17 4 11 62 49 38
Crystal Pal.	32 10 5 11 83 57 37
Torquay	34 15 7 12 71 68 37
Fulham	33 15 6 12 62 60 36
Luton	33 14 7 12 53 45 35
Bournemouth	32 12 11 10 61 59 35
Coventry	32 14 5 13 64 49 33
Swindon	33 15 3 16 67 72 33
Exeter	32 12 9 11 58 65 33
Queen's P.R.	33 14 3 16 65 80 31
Gillingham	33 10 13 10 47 57 30
Bristol R.	34 10 9 15 57 80 29
Watford	33 11 6 16 57 82 28
Clapton O.	30 11 5 14 45 59 27
Walsall	30 10 7 15 65 78 27
Thames	33 10 5 18 44 80 25
Newport	33 9 7 21 60 96 21
Norwich	33 7 13 17 37 82 21

Goals.	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Accrington	2 Doncaster
Barrow	1 Stockport
Carlisle	1 Nelson
Chesterfield	1 New Brighton
Crews	2 Lincoln
Rochdale	1 Hall C.
Rotherham	2 Halifax
Southport	1 Gateshead
Tranmere	5 Wigan
Wrexham	2 Hartlepool
York C.	2 Darlington

Goals.	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Lincoln	33 21 6 6 77 37 47
Tranmere	33 21 5 7 100 58 47
Chesterfield	33 19 5 9 72 47 43
Wrexham	33 18 9 6 72 51 41
Stockport	33 18 6 10 62 45 41
Southport	33 18 6 9 71 49 38
Carlisle	33 18 6 12 81 37 37
Wigan	32 16 4 12 62 85 35
Hull	30 13 8 9 69 44 34

Goals.	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Gateshead	32 11 12 9 50 40 34
York	32 13 5 14 61 61 31
Accrington	34 13 6 16 68 93 31
Barrow	33 12 5 16 52 73 29
Darlington	32 11 6 15 54 47 28
N. Brighton	34 11 5 18 41 62 27
Rochdale	33 11 5 17 54 85 27
Doncaster	33 9 8 10 56 26
Halifax	32 10 6 16 43 69 26
Rotherham	32 9 7 16 64 72 25
Crews	32 11 3 18 55 75 25
Hartlepool	32 10 4 18 56 64 24
Nelson	33 5 7 21 35 81 17

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Goals.	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Rangers	31 21 5 5 79 25 47
Motherwell	31 20 6 5 85 36 46
Celtic	29 19 6 4 80 28 44
Partick	32 20 3 9 66 40 43
Hearts	31 17 4 10 81 53 38
Dundee	30 16 3 11 55 47 35
Hamilton	32 15 4 13 52 44 34
Airdrie	32 15 4 13 51 56 34
Aberdeen	33 13 6 14 64 58 32
Cowdenbeath	30 12 6 12 43 49 30
Clyde	32 14 4 14 55 87 32
St. Mirren	30 11 7 12 47 52 25
Kilmarnock	30 11 4 15 45 52 25
Airdrie	31 11 5 15 53 67 27
Falkirk	30 11 3 10 62 71 25
Queen's Park	30 9 6 15 51 60 24
Leith	32 7 10 15 44 70 24
Hibernians	33 8 6 19 45 72 22
East Fife	29 3 10 16 35 75 12
Ayr	32 4 4 24 33 105 12

* Not played.

Goals.	P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.
Motherwell	46 60
Celtic	44 62
Partick	43 55
Hearts	38 52
Dundee	35 51
Hamilton	34 46
Airdrie	34 45
Aberdeen	32 42
Cowdenbeath	30 45
Clyde	32 46
St. Mirren	32 45
Kilmarnock	26 42
Morton	27 41
Queen's Park	24 40
Falkirk	25 41
Leith	24 36
Hibernians	22 32
Ayr	16 34
East Fife	12 24

FRANCE v. GERMANY.

French Win After 33 Years.

Paris, Yesterday.

After an interval of 33 years,

France defeated Germany by a

goal to all in the international As-

sociation match at the Colombes

Stadium, Munzenberg, the right-

half back, had the misfortune to

deflect the ball into his own goal.

—Reuter.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

ATHLETICS—To-day—Hong

Kong v. Canton Universities,

Caroline Hill, 1.30 p.m.

Mech. 2nd St. Stephen's Col-

lege Sports, Stanley, 2.30 p.m.

GOLF—To-day—Harrison

Officers' Annual Meeting, Fing-

To-morrow—Ladies' Section

Prize Distribution, Fing-

of Bass Cup (Ladies), Car-

Officers' Annual Meeting, Fing-

LAWN TENNIS—To-day—

H.K.C.C. Tournament.

FENCING—To-day—Fencing

Club Meeting, Yacht Club, 5.15

p.m.

Saturday—Tournament, Yacht

Club, 8.30 p.m.

REVOLVER SHOOTING—To-

day—Hong Kong Police v. Shang-

hai Police, Tai Koo Range.

CHESS—To-morrow—Entries

close for Colony's Championship.

FOOTBALL—Wednesday—Com-

bined Services v. Chinese, Sookun-

poo.

Saturday—Senior Shield—Royal

Artillery v. South Wales Border-

ers; Kowloon F.C. v. South China

A.A.; Junior Shield—Navy v.

Kowloon F.C.; Club v. Eastern

F.C.

April 18—Sunday Herald

Charity Cup Final—Scotland v.

China.

HOCKEY—Friday—Caer Clark

Cup—Kowloon Ladies' Hockey

Club v. Diocesan Girls' School.

Saturday—Caer Clark Cup—

Club de Recreo v. St. Andrew's

Club.

LAWN BOWLS—Friday—Kow-

loon Bowling Green Club—Annual

Meeting, 5.45 p.m.

March 27—Lawn Bowls Asso-

ciation Annual Meeting.

CRICKET—Saturday—Divi-

sion I—Cranebow v. C.C. v.

Indian R.C. (L.); Civil Service

C.C. v. Royal Artillery (L.); Navy

v. Hong Kong C.C. (F.); Division

II—Hong Kong C.C. v. R.A.S.C.

(L.); Indian R.C. v. Cranebow

C.C. (L.); University v. Kowloon

C.C. (L.).

HOME.

FOOTBALL—Wednesday—

Army v. The Rest, Woolwich.

Saturday—England v. Scotland

(Amateurs), Chelsea.

March 28—Scotland v. England,

Glasgow.

April 25—England Cup Final.

RUGBY FOOTBALL—Wednes-

day—Rugby League—England v.

Wales, Huddersfield.

Saturday—Scotland v. England

Murrayfield, Edinburgh.

April 6—France v. England,

Paris.

HOCKEY—Saturday—Oxford

v. Cambridge.

GOLF—March 24 and 25—Ox-

ford v. Cambridge, Sandwich.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

KOWLOON MEET THEIR WATERLOO.

ARGYLLS' DECISIVE WIN.

The Argylls brought Kowloon's recent run of successes to an end on Saturday by defeating them by the odd goal in three. A wider margin would not have flattered the Argylls, who were by far the superior side throughout the game, and had their inside forwards been steadier in front of goal, they should have secured a lead of at least two goals.

South China further consolidated their position at the head of the table by overwhelming the Artillery, and the Navy had the best of a high scoring game with St. Joseph's.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

Division I.

R.A. 2 South China 6

St. Joseph's 3 Navy 5

Kowloon 1 Argylls 2

Division II.

St. Joseph's 3 South China 3

Borderers 1 Kowloon 1

Club 2 R.A. 1

Argylls 2 Athletic 1

GOAL SCORERS.

Division I.

Atkins (St. Joseph's) 3

Chu Kwok-lun (South China) 2

Fung King-cheung (S. China) 2

Lee Wai-tung (South China) 2

Dickenson (Navy) 2

McTavish (Argylls) 1

Louden (Argylls) 1

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

INWARD MAILS

MONDAY, MARCH 16.		
Shanghai	Kanchow	
Japan	Tsutsu Maru	
TUESDAY, MARCH 17.		
Straits	Vin Heutsz	
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Angers	
(London, Feb. 25)	Athos II.	
Australia and Manila	Kamo Maru	
Straits	Terukuni Maru	
THURSDAY, MARCH 19.		
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only, London, Feb. 19)	Soudan	
FRIDAY, MARCH 20.		
Japan and Shanghai	Shinyo Maru	
Japan and Shanghai	Sowa Maru	
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., Feb. 28)	Empress of Japan	
SATURDAY, MARCH 21.		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Feb. 20)	President Garfield	
MONDAY, MARCH 23.		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Feb. 27)	President Jackson	
TUESDAY, MARCH 24.		
London (Parcels only, London, Feb. 12) and Straits	Anchises	

OUTWARD MAILS

MONDAY, MARCH 16.		
Swatow	Hydrangea	3 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.	President Madison	
	(Due Victoria, B.C., Apr. 3.)	
Manila and Sourabaya	Parcels	Mar. 16, 3 p.m.
	Registration	4.15 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Tai Hing	4 p.m.
	President Madison	
	Registration	Mar. 16, 5 p.m.
	Letters	6 p.m.
Amoy	Kut Seng	5 p.m.
TUESDAY, MARCH 17.		
Manila and Sourabaya	Tibadak	9.30 a.m.
	Athos	
	(Due Marseilles, Apr. 17.)	
	G.P.O.	
Registration	Mar. 17, 1 p.m.	
Letters	1 p.m.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Halting	1 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Song Bo	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Angers	2 p.m.
	Antenor	
	(Due Marseilles April 15)	
	G.P.O.	
Registration	4.30 p.m.	
Letters	4.30 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via Vancouver, B.C.	Empress of Russia	
	(Due Vancouver, B.C., Apr. 4 and Europe via Siberia.)	
	Parcels	Mar. 17, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Mar. 18, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters	10 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and San Francisco	Tsutsu Maru	
	(Due San Francisco, Apr. 8.)	
	Registration	Mar. 17, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Mar. 18, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	Terukuni Maru	
	Registration	Mar. 18, 5 p.m.
	Letters	6 p.m.
Swatow	Van Heutsz	5 p.m.
Swatow	Wai Shing	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18.		
Japan	Kamo Maru	9.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Hin Sang	10 a.m.
Amoy	Tsinnan	3.30 p.m.
THURSDAY, MARCH 19.		
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Menado Maru	8.30 a.m.
FRIDAY, MARCH 20.		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining	2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Sowa Maru	
	(Due Marseilles, Apr. 19.)	
	G.P.O.	
Registration	Mar. 20, 4.30 p.m.	
Letters	Mar. 21, 9 a.m.	
SATURDAY, MARCH 21.		
Manila	Empress of Japan	3.30 p.m.
SUNDAY, MARCH 22.		
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Hozan Maru	9 a.m.
Manila	Shinyo Maru	9 a.m.
TUESDAY, MARCH 24.		
Straits and Calcutta	Ho Sang	
	Parcels	Mar. 24, Noon
	Letters	1 p.m.
FRIDAY, MARCH 27.		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Rawalpindi	
	(Due Marseilles, Apr. 24.)	
	G.P.O.	
Parcels	Mar. 27, 4.30 p.m.	
Registration	Mar. 27, 5 p.m.	
Letters	Mar. 28, 9.45 a.m.	
	Letters	10.30 a.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

HOCKEY.

HONG KONG LADIES DRAW WITH RECREIO.

CAER CLARK CUP.

The postponed match in the Caer Clark Cup League, between the Hong Kong Ladies Hockey Club and the Club de Recreio, which was to have been decided on February 14, was played off at Sookunpoo on Saturday afternoon. A fast game ended in a draw of one goal all, the Hong Kong ladies maintaining their unbeaten record. This distinction also is shared by the Recreio ladies who are the first team, incidentally, to score a goal against the Hong Kong side.

In the opening minutes of the game, Hong Kong got well away and soon called upon B. Remedios to save her goal. Hong Kong continued to attack, and E. O'Hagan shot hard to gain a corner, which however proved fruitless. The Recreio were kept on the defensive, and a considerable time had elapsed before they penetrated Hong Kong's half. A. Alves was playing well, but the other Recreio forwards mistimed their passes too frequently. They found E. Gray and B. Franklin a formidable pair of backs and thus were unable to get into the shooting area. On play being transferred to the other end, the Recreio goal underwent a bombardment of shots and was relieved only from a corner, C. Ferguson shooting wide. Taking the ball up on her own E. M. Donelan, dribbled past the Recreio backs, to score a brilliant goal, giving Hong Kong the lead.

Recreio Equalise.

Unquitted by the deficit, the Recreio set up a counter attack, and L. Silva-Netto was only robbed when within scoring range. Pressure was maintained and, accepting a pass from L. Xavier, A. Alves, with a magnificent solo effort, equalised for the Recreio. J. Smalley in an attempt to save, got her foot to the ball but could not save the point. Heartened by this equaliser the Recreio forwards took up the offensive, and a fine forward movement on the part of C. Silva and C. Botelho looked dangerous, but E. Gray cleared. Half-time arrived with the sides on level terms.

Offside Play.

On the resumption, Hong Kong attacked only for B. Remedios to clear. A goal looked pretty certain for Hong Kong when E. M. Donelan made a brilliant opening for C. Ferguson. The latter made no mistake with her shot but was pulled up for offside play. A few minutes later, M. Bishop nearly scored but she too was alleged to be offside. Hong Kong were doing most of the attacking, but offside play spoilt many an opportunity to score. The Recreio's defence worked hard, especially C. Osmund, M. Alves and E. Rosario, who proved to be very formidable players in defence. E. Rosario kept feeding her forwards with very neat passes, which should have produced more than they did. L. Silva-Netto, took the ball down on her own, but was robbed when in the act of shooting. M. Wallace distinguished herself in the Hong Kong half-back line, whilst E. R. Bell, who was playing well on the right wing, had hard luck with a fast shot during the closing minutes, the final whistle sounding with Hong Kong pressing hard.

Result:

H.K.L.H.C. 1
Recreio L.H.C. 1
The teams lined up as follows:
H.K.L.H.C.—J. Smalley; E. Gray, B. V. Franklin; E. O'Hagan, A. Owen-Hughes, M. L. Wallace; E. R. Bell, N. McNeillie, E. M. Donelan, C. Ferguson, and M. Bishop.
Recreio—R. Remedios; C. Osmund, M. Basto; E. Rosario, M. Alves, L. Xavier; C. Botelho, C. Silva, L. Silva-Netto, A. Alves and M. Remedios.
The game on the whole was a very good one, and there was little to choose between the two teams. E. M. Donelan was the pick of the Hong Kong forward line, and her play at times reached a very high standard. M. Bishop, on the left wing was inclined to hit the ball too far forward, with the result

ATHLETICS.

HONG KONG ESTABLISH EARLY SUPERIORITY.

LINGNAM OPPOSITION.

Before a large crowd of supporters of the respective universities, the first day of the triangular inter-university athletic meeting was held at Caroline Hill on Saturday afternoon.

The keenness of both competitors and spectators as shown on Saturday augurs well for future engagements and it is to be hoped that this is the first contest between the Hong Kong and the Canton Universities, will be the forerunner of an annual meeting. As was to be expected the arrangements necessary for the management of three large contingents were on a big scale and, though there were one or two long intervals between events, the programme for the day was completed in the face of countless difficulties, due solely to the unbounded energy on the part of the organising committee.

The two big achievements of the first day were those of D. J. N. Anderson and Lee Hah Liong, both Hong Kong University men. Anderson brought off the "treble" by winning the 400 metres, the 800 metres, and the 1,600 metres. Lee also scored three successes—the 100 metres, the 200 metres, and the 100 metres High Hurdles.

Relative Positions.

The following is a table showing the first three positions for every Championship event:

	1st	2nd	3rd
100 Metres	H.K.	H.K.	L.
800 Metres	H.K.	H.K.	H.K.
Pole Vault			
200 Metres	H.K.	L.	L.
Long Jump	L.	H.K.	L.
Putting the Weight	H.K.	L.	H.K.
110 M High Hurdles	H.K.	L.	H.K.
400 Metres	H.K.	H.K.	L.
Throwing the Discus	H.K.	L.	L.
400 Metres Relay	H.K.	L.	
1,500 Metres	H.K.	H.K.	H.K.

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RACING.

LUCKY NUMBERS IN CASH
SWEEPS.

PUNTERS MISS PICCY.

Monterey Bay, who has flattered
only to deceive on several occa-
sions, found Mr. Gilbert Harriman
in a persuasive mood on Saturday,
and repented so well that he came
in two lengths ahead in the Macao
Handicap "B" Class, to pay the big-
gest dividend of the day, \$123.10.
Mr. Harriman, who has not had
the best of luck as regards mounts
at recent meetings, also steered
Scrapit home in the sixth race,
another "B" class event, winning
quite comfortably by two lengths.
All in all, he had a good day, rid-
ing two firsts and two seconds.
The public were quite at fault in
the Whampoa Handicap "B" Class,
which was won by that very sound
trier, Piccy. For some reason or
other the Pearce entry was not
much fancied, although it would
have been difficult to find anything
to beat it. Mr. da Roza, it is true,
only won by a head, but he seem-
ed to take the race just when he
wanted. Mount Elburz ran in
greatly improved form, but would
do better over a mile, which one
thinks is about its distance.

THE CASH SWEEPS.

All Lucky Numbers At A
Glance.

Race 1.
No. 431. \$1,202.60
" 435. 343.60
" 8. 171.80
Unplaced runners (\$50 each),
Nos. 165, 254, 58, 466, 414, 457, 75,
95, 84.

Race 2.
No. 668. \$1,724.80
" 343. 492.80
" 135. 246.40
Unplaced runners (\$50 each),
Nos. 650, 560, 297, 200, 691, 532.

Race 3.
No. 754. \$2,077.60
" 642. 593.60
" 779. 296.80
Unplaced runners (\$50 each),
Nos. 179, 596, 479, 47.

Race 4.
No. 49. \$2,196.60
" 322. 627.60
" 102. 313.80
Unplaced runners (\$50 each),
Nos. 829, 716, 199, 217, 829, 194,
126.

Race 5.
No. 14. \$4,390.40
" 239. 1,254.40
" 46. 627.20
Unplaced runners (\$100 each),
Nos. 117, 298, 371, 346.

Race 6.
No. 3. \$2,612.40
" 18. 746.40
" 939. 373.20
Unplaced runners (\$50 each),
Nos. 174, 197, 962, 734, 858, 882,
417, 276, 801, 52, 1128, 462, 912,
1094, 1009, 814.

Race 7.
No. 106. \$2,916.80
" 266. 804.80
" 62. 402.40
Unplaced runners (\$50 each),
Nos. 987, 934, 581, 357, 956, 406.

Race 8.
No. 772. \$2,980.50
" 893. 851.50
" 708. 425.80
Unplaced runner (\$50), No. 742.

Race 9.
No. 1112. \$3,572.80
" 71. 1,020.80
" 29. 610.40
Unplaced runners (\$50 each),
Nos. 9, 603.

RESULTS.

1.—Shekhi Handicap: "A" Class: Six
Furlongs.—For China Ponies, Sub-
scription Grifins of this Season in
the Subscription Grifins' Class
which have started at least three
times since January 1, 1931, and
have not won. Entrance Fee \$5.
1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$200.
3rd Prize: \$150.
Lewis & Tinson's Fi-Fa 162 lb.
(Mr. S. Y. Liang) 1
W. T. Stanton's Vamoose 140 lb.
(Mr. Proulx) 2
Chau & Chau's Sunny Day 162
lb. (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 3
Won by 3 lengths; 2 lengths.
Time: 1 min. 35.2/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$37.50;
Places, 1st \$18.40; 2nd \$53.70; 3rd
\$22.70.

2.—Macao Handicap: "B" Class: One
Mile.—For China Ponies which have
started at least three times since
January 1, 1931, and have not won.
Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$450.
2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$150.
Hau Un's Monterey Bay 147 lb.
(Mr. Harriman) 1
A. A. R. Botelho's Lobster Bay
159 lb. (Mr. Soares) 2
Eve's New Year's Eve 160 lb.
(Mr. Reddy) 3
Won by two lengths; a head.
Time: 2 mins. 08.2/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$123.10;
Places, 1st \$21.10; 2nd \$8; 3rd
\$20.50.

3.—Hongshan Handicap: "A" Class:
From the Two Mile Post Once
Round and In (about One Mile 171
Yards).—For China Ponies, Grifins
of this Season which have started
at least twice since January 1, 1931,
and have not won. Entrance Fee
\$5. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize:
\$200. 3rd Prize: \$150.

Chan Tin-son's Wonderful Stag
147 lb. (Mr. Frost) 1
Mrs. G. A. Harriman's Paul Fry
161 lb. (Mr. Harriman) 2
Chan Wai-sang's Nippy 156 lb.
(Mr. Soares) 3
Won by three lengths; a length.
Time: 2 mins. 20.1/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$27.40;
Places, 1st \$9.60; 2nd \$8.50; 3rd
\$7.90.

4.—Whampoa Handicap: "B" Class:
From the Two Mile Post Once
Round and In (about One Mile 171
Yards).—For China Ponies which
have started at least five times at
Extra Meetings in 1930, and at
least three times since January 1,
1931, and have not won. Entrance
Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd
Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$150.

Mrs. Pearce's Piccy 151 lb. ...
(Mr. G. U. da Roza) 1
K. C. Lau's Mount Elburz 138
lb. (Mr. Proulx) 2
D. Wilson's Mongolian Stag 157
lb. (Mr. Heard) 3
Won by a head; the same.
Time: 2 mins. 24 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$72.90;
Places, 1st \$15.90; 2nd \$7.90; 3rd
\$7.70.

5.—Randwick Handicap: One Mile.—
For Australian Ponies which have
started at least twice since January
1, 1931, and have not won. En-
trance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$450.
2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$150.
Fung & Tang's The Raindrop
162 lb. (Mr. S. N. Pan) 1
Kong Bros's Evening Star 151
lb. (Mr. Harriman) 2
C. Gordon Mackie's St. Moritz
143 lb. (Mr. Bramwell) 3
Won by 3 1/2 lengths; 1/2 length.
Time: 1 min. 58.1/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$15.30;
Places, 1st \$6.80; 2nd \$10.20; 3rd
\$8.70.

6.—Shekhi Handicap: "B" Class: Six
Furlongs.—For China Ponies, Sub-
scription Grifins of this Season in
the Subscription Grifins' Class
which have started at least three
times since January 1, 1931, and
have not won. Entrance Fee \$5.
1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize: \$200.
3rd Prize: \$150.

Brown & Coppin's Scrapit 149
lb. (Mr. Harriman) 1
Fung & Tang's Twilight 140 lb.
(Mr. Y. T. Fung) 2
Harbot's Tom Thumb 146 lb.
(Mr. Frost) 3

Won by 2 lengths; a length.
Time: 1 min. 37.4/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$22.70;
Places, 1st \$10.20; 2nd \$34.60; 3rd
\$11.40.

7.—Hongshan Handicap: "B" Class:
From the Two Mile Post Once
Round and In (about One Mile 171
Yards).—For China Ponies, Grifins
of this Season which have started
at least twice since January 1, 1931,
and have not won. Entrance Fee
\$5. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd Prize:
\$200. 3rd Prize: \$150.

Brown & Coppin's Frillery 153
lb. (Mr. G. U. da Roza) 1
Ho Kom-tong's Britannic Hall
163 lb. (Mr. S. N. Pan) 2
Chan Tin-son's Wise Stag 158
lb. (Mr. Frost) 3

Won by 1 1/2 lengths; short head.
Time: 2 mins. 23.2/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$83.20;
Places, 1st \$16.60; 2nd \$8.60; 3rd
\$10.60.

8.—Whampoa Handicap: "A" Class:
From the Two Mile Post Once
Round and In (about One Mile 171
Yards).—For China Ponies which
have started at least five times at
Extra Meetings in 1930, and at
least three times since January 1,
1931, and have not won. Entrance
Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$450. 2nd
Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$150.

W. T. Stanton's Mike 168 lb.
(Mr. Frost) 1
Toeg & Priestley's Fair Sport
166 lb. (Mr. Reddy) 2
Ho Kom-tong's Majestic Hall
163 lb. (Mr. S. N. Pan) 3
Won by 3 lengths; 1/2 length.
Time: 2 mins. 20.2/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$9.10;
Places, 1st \$6.20; 2nd \$8.20.

9.—Macao Handicap: "A" Class: One
Mile.—For China Ponies which have
started at least three times since
January 1, 1931, and have not won.
Entrance Fee \$5. 1st Prize: \$450.
2nd Prize: \$200. 3rd Prize: \$150.
From the Two Mile Post Once
Eve's Boxing Eve 161 lb. ...
(Mr. Charles) 1

Toeg & Priestley's Gay Crus-
ader 152 lb. (Mr. Reddy) 2
Chan Tin-son's Wisdom Stag
160 lb. (Mr. Frost) 3
Won by 5 lengths; short head.
Time: 2 mins. 01.1/5 secs.
Pari-mutuel:—Winner \$22.80;
Places, 1st \$16.20; 2nd \$38.70.

BRICKLAYERS' PROBLEM.

When Lighter Loads May Seem
Heavier.

Which are easier to wheel—70
bricks or 60? An unexpected an-
swer was provided to this ques-
tion by Dr. G. P. Crowden in the
second of his Health Clerk
lectures to the National Institute
of Industrial Psychology at the
London School of Economics.
Using the method of stacking,
Dr. Crowden explained, normally
employed by workers in the
brickmaking industry, it was
actually less strain on the arms
to wheel 70 bricks. In addition,
up to 64 per cent. of muscular
effort could be saved by proceed-
ing at a brisk walk than by at-
tempting to force a faster pace
from an unwilling body.

The efficiency of the human
body as a muscular machine, he
added, varied from 8.4 per cent.
in trained weight-lifters to 33
per cent. in walking, which was a
natural and rhythmical motion.
The workers in any particu-
lar factory were too busy to
pause and consider whether in
the long run they were working
their bodies in the most
economical way. The need was
urgent, but industry and the
workers' associations must give
the medical scientists the oppor-
tunities and encouragement
necessary to produce practical
results.

INDIA'S MINERAL
OUTPUT.

Sir George Godfrey on
Industry's Growth.

The annual dinner of the Mining
and Geological Institute of India
was held at Pelti's Calcutta, re-
cently.
Proposing the toast of the
Mineral Industries of India Sir
George Godfrey reviewed the pro-
gress made in the mineral indus-
tries of the country since 1895. He
began with the arrival in India in
1893 of Mr. James Grundy, father
of the first Mines Act which was
received with some opposition
though it was found to work satis-
factorily until the new Mines Act
of 1893 which came into force the
following year. Sir George God-
frey then went on to analyse the
Indian mines production figures
over advancing periods, bridging
over the famous dispute between
the East Indian and Bengal Nagpur
Railway until it was realized that
with the spreading of mills and
factories a much greater increase
in the production of coal would be
required even though in 10 years
the output had risen from 2 1/2
to eight million tons. This figure
was increased to 12 million tons by
1912. By 1915 production had
further increased by nearly 50 per
cent., reaching 17 million tons.
That was the war period, and the
speaker went on to describe the
general dislocation that accom-
panied it and the control that led to
the gradual emergence from chaos
with regard to the distribution of
coal. "I often think India did not
get full credit for what she did in
this way," he added.

STANDARD TIMES.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN
COLONY.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong
Kong for March 1931. Stan-
dard time of the 120th Meridian,
East of Greenwich) are as fol-
lows:—

Date	Sunrise a.m.	Sunset p.m.
16	6.38	6.33
17	6.32	6.33
18	6.31	6.33
19	6.30	6.34
20	6.28	6.34
21	6.27	6.34
22	6.26	6.35
23	6.25	6.36
24	6.25	6.36
25	6.24	6.36
26	6.23	6.36
27	6.22	6.37
28	6.21	6.37
29	6.20	6.37
30	6.19	6.38
31	6.18	6.38

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A LOOK AT THE NEW HAIG STATUE.

"It Reveals Him as the World Knew Him."

M.P.'S APPROVE.

Members of Parliament to-day saw the new model of the national memorial to Field-Marshal Earl Haig, which is to stand in the middle of Whitehall. Beside it, in the Royal Gallery, stood the first model, which was condemned by Lady Haig and a host of critics as "impossible," says the Evening News in mail week.

It was plain, at the first glance, that the sculptor, Mr. A. F. Hardiman, had bowed to public opinion. The statue of Lord Haig on his charger has been changed in a score of ways, and has now become almost photographic in its faithfulness to life. Art critics may think it too photographic.

But the comments of M.P.s to-day showed that it revealed Lord Haig as the world knew him. Lady Haig, who is in Scotland, has not seen it yet; but the assessors, headed by Lord D'Abernon, have all approved it.

"Cart-Horse" Replaced by a Charger.

The keenest interest, of course, centred in the horse. The first horse was rejected as being too massive. The critics declared that it was a cart-horse; its neck was too thick, its head too small. No one, said the critics, had ever seen Lord Haig on a charger like that.

To-day we compared the two horses.

They were utterly different.

The new horse is a graceful English thoroughbred, such as Lord Haig always rode. Slim neck, proud head—it is an aristocrat of horses, with life and swift movement in every inch of it.

Mr. Hardiman has confessed frankly that his original design was not meant to be a studiously accurate copy of a horse. It is a design in strong lines and curves; and certainly it has a massive dignity and power.

But his second design goes back to life.

The first horse's tail is proudly curved. The second horse's tail droops in a natural way. The first horse is not fully harnessed. The second is.

The grim strength has gone. But in its place there is a graceful lightness and a breathing life.

Iron Visage Softened.

The statue of Lord Haig himself has changed, too. The critics objected to the strap of his field-glasses, they said it looked like a Sam Browne put on the wrong way. In the new figure the strap

COOKERY IN BYGONE DAYS.

Canute's Favourite Dish.

A novel exhibition under the auspice of the English Folk Cookery Association was opened in the offices of the Gas Light and Coke Company, Church Street, Kensington.

"The majority of the dishes we are showing are entirely unknown to the average modern girl," Miss E. Williams, the organiser, told a Press representative. "The recipes for most of them have been handed down by word of mouth for hundreds of years. Our aim is to have them written so that they may be preserved for all time."

One of the most interesting of the exhibits shown was a dish of "Knots and Cranberry Sauce," said to have been a favourite dish of King Canute. Knots are small grey water-birds.

A Coronation Banquet.

From Leicestershire there was a dish of "Cheeky Pigs"—little pigs modelled out of dough and stuffed with mince-meat—and from Yorkshire there came "Haver-Bread," which is old-fashioned Yorkshire oat-cake, made by the yard and hung up on a line to dry.

"Stargazing Pastry" was one of the dishes sent from Cornwall. This consisted of a herring rolled up in pastry with the head left poking out—to enable it to gaze at the stars. Near was a three-cornered cake called the "Coven-try God Cake," so named because at one time it was made for god-fathers and godmothers, to give

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REHABILITATION OF SILVER.

China Ready to Join with Other Nations.

DEFICIT OF \$101,000,000.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Mr. T. V. Soong's annual report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1930, states that the Government's expenditure was split up as follows:

Loan payments, 37.5 per cent.
Military expenditure, 49.6 per cent.
Civil expenditure, 12.9 per cent.

The deficit on the year is \$101,000,000, and will be larger this year, but the outlook is hopeful. Budgetary equilibrium should be attained during 1932 by means of lightening debt payments and military expenses.

Mr. Soong goes on to say that budgetary equilibrium is not enough, as the present civil expenditure provides only for the bare minimum of existence. He pleads for co-ordination of the various branches of the Government so as rigidly to map out essential ends for a given number of years.

As regards silver, he says the National Government is ready to co-operate with other countries in any practicable measures to rehabilitate the value of silver.—Reuter.

COMPRESSED AIR SICKNESS.

The death has occurred at 28, Garden Reach Road, Calcutta, from caisson disease (compressed air sickness), of Mr. Norman Smith, M.C., A.M.I.C.E., agent for Messrs. John Cochrane and Sons, Ltd., contractors, who are constructing the tunnel under the Hooghly for the Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation.

Mr. Smith, who was working in the tunnel, until a few hours before his death, first came to Calcutta for the Port Commissioners in connection with the construction of the King George's Dock. He was an enthusiastic member of the Calcutta Football Club and the Royal Calcutta Golf Club. Aged 45, Mr. Smith was a native of Aberdeen.

to the children named after them at their baptism.

Shropshire sent an example of the original Burying Cake, made in the county and eaten at funerals. A section was devoted to old cookery books, and one, dated 1730, entitled "The Complete Practical Cook," contained the menu of the Coronation Dinner of George II. This included "potted venison, fryd smelts, collared pig, polonia sausages," and "four grand Pyramids of wet and dryd sweetmeats."

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